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President's Corner

Hope you are all enjoying the Fall season and the cooler weather. November reminds us to be thankful for our many blessings, great neighborhood and the caring families and friends that live here. It also is the time to be mindful of increased burglaries and theft with the stress of holiday spending. Please take extra precautions, watch for suspicious activity and help keep our neighborhood safe.

The board is looking forward to seeing many of you at the November 13th holiday social! See announcement in this Warbler.

Jester is a great place to live!

Diana Miller
President

Holiday Happy Hour

TUESDAY NOV 13 | 6 - 8 PM
SCOREBOARD IN JESTER VILLAGE



The HOA invites you to kick off the holiday season with a gathering at Scoreboard. Come socialize and network with your neighbors and get into the holiday spirit! Light appetizers will be provided and happy hour priced drinks will be available for purchase. We hope to see you there!

Santa On a Firetruck In Jester!

Saturday, December 8th
9:00 am - Jester Club

You do not have to be a member to participate.



Jester Holiday Lights Contest

by Megan Duffin

Time to unbox your holiday lights and decorations; the annual Holiday Lights Contest is nearly here! Judging of this beloved neighborhood tradition will take place on December 6-13, 2018. We have 5 different categories and wonderful prizes for each of them! To nominate a house, please email meganduffin@gmail.com with the subject "Holiday Lights Contest". Good luck!

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of the month prior to the issue.*

Reserve Your Spot!

Annual Girls Night Holiday Limousine Celebration

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, **December 5th**

5:45-6:00 - Meet at
Debra Ellsworth's house
for Smoked Chicken
Lasagna & Salad. I'll have
a gluten free option too.
7313 Foxtree Cove

6:30 - Limo(s) will pick
us up and we will look at
Christmas decorations in
neighborhoods on our
way to Mozart's for their
amazing light show.

7:15 / 7:30 - Limo(s)
pick us up at Mozart's and
take us to Pete's Piano
Bar on 6th Street where
we sing, dance and have a
great time!

10:15 / 10:30 - Limo(s) pick us up to return us to Debra's.
We will be driven through decorated neighborhoods on the
way back. Imagine groups of women snug in limousines while
celebrating & singing Christmas songs that we grew up with.
Yup- lots of F U N!

Bring:

- Christmas / wrapped wine glass for an exchange.
- Your drink of choice.
- \$45 - \$50 cash.
- I will have bottled waters, chocolate

RSVP BY: NOVEMBER 29, Thurs.

In order to get the appropriate amount of Limousine seating.
Price determined by # of people, therefore # of limos. (\$45-\$50
with tip)

Let the holiday celebrations begin!

Debra Ellsworth

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Feel free to forward to your friends so you can let them know your
plans. Make sure to RSVP to include your friend(s).



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NATURE WATCH

ASTONISHING ACORNS

by Jim and Lynne Weber



Live Oak Acorn

Famous for its oak trees, there are more than 50 species of oak native to Texas. In our region of Central Texas, some of the most common include Live Oak (*Quercus virginiana*), Texas Red Oak (*Quercus buckleyi*), and Bur Oak (*Quercus macrocarpa*).

A familiar tree with a stately growth habit, Live Oak is commonly 50 feet tall but with several large, twisting limbs that form a low, dense crown that can spread over 100 feet. Its leaves are oblong in shape, leathery, 2 to 4 inches long and 0.5 to 2 inches wide. Slow-growing but long-lived, it appears to be evergreen rather than deciduous since its old leaves fall just as new leaves emerge in the spring. The annual acorns of this tree are dark brown and shiny, about 1 inch long and 0.5 inch wide, half covered in a gray, downy cup borne on a long stem.

Texas Red Oak, also called Spanish Oak or Buckley Oak, is a small to medium tree to 35 to 70 feet tall, and its habitat is restricted to limestone ridges, slopes, and creek bottoms. Its leaves are deeply lobed and it provides good shade in the summer and deep red color in the fall. Its acorns are biennial, or maturing every other year, but when they do occur they are plentiful. They can occur singly or in pairs, are up to 0.75 inches long and 0.5 inches wide often streaked with dark lines, and set in a shallow cup covering one-third to one-half of the fruit.

A large, deciduous tree reaching a height of 80 feet or more, the Bur Oak has heavy branches that form an open, spreading crown, and leaves with highly variable lobes that can grow to 12 inches long and 6 inches wide. But what is most characteristic is its' distinctively large annual acorns, up to 2 inches long, set into a deep mossy-fringed cup that gives this species its common name. In fact, an alternate common name is Mossycup Oak. Bur Oaks have a medium growth rate, and develop a deep taproot that allows them to draw water and

anchor the tree, even in drought conditions.

The origin of the word acorn is dubious, as several sources are possible including Old Norse *akarn* meaning 'fruit of wild trees', Gothic *akran* meaning 'fruit', and Old English *aecern* meaning 'mast or oak-mast.' Mast is a term often applied to the fruit of oak trees, especially when they are used as food source for animals.

In Texas, oaks are important trees for wildlife as they provide acorns for food, shelter in their huge branches, and both food and shelter as they slowly decay. For humans, oaks protect against soil erosion, buffer homes from strong winds, and provide true beauty in the landscape. All of these benefits are derived from the simple yet astonishing acorns!

Send your nature-related questions to naturewatch@austin.rr.com and we'll do our best to answer them. If you enjoy reading these articles, check out our books, *Nature Watch Austin*, *Nature Watch Big Bend*, and *Native Host Plants for Texas Butterflies* (published by Texas A&M University Press), and our blog at naturewatchaustin.blogspot.com.



Texas Red Oak Acorn



Bur Oak Acorn

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Be sure to include the following so we
can let you know!

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THANK YOU!

As I pause to count my blessings during this Thanksgiving Holiday, I give thanks for my many Jester neighbors that I've come to know. I am so grateful for your friendship, your business, and the confidence you have placed in me.



Teresa

November Events

Compliments of... Teresa Gouldie 751-8000 Coldwell Banker, United

Nov. 10	Wanderlust - Mindful activities – running, yoga, & meditation	wanderlust.com/108s
Nov. 10	Ray Wylie Hubbard - Legendary Texas singer/songwriter	austintheatre.org
Nov. 13	Circa - Australia's award-winning contemporary circus	texasperformingarts.org
Nov. 14 - 18	A Christmas Affair - Original art, jewelry and crafts	jlaustin.org
Nov. 17 - 18	Brick Fest Live LEGO Fan Experience LEGO lovers rejoice	Austin Convention Center events.brickfestlive.com
Nov. / Dec. see dates	North Pole Flyer - Nov 17, 18, 24, 25 & Dec 1, 2, 8 & 9 Real train ride with visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus	austinsteamttrain.org
Nov. 21	So You Think You Can Dance Live!	thelongcenter.org
Nov. 21 - 22	Operation Turkey - Volunteer to cook or deliver dinners	operationturkey.com
Nov. 21 -	A Christmas Carol	Zach Theatre
Dec. 30	Austin's most rockin' holiday tradition returns	zachtheatre.org
Nov. 23 -	Blue Genie Art Bazaar	bluegenieartbazaar.com
Dec. 24	Thousands of original works ranging from serious art to fun item	
Nov. 24	Chuy's Christmas Parade - Bring a new, unwrapped toy to donate. Giant balloons, marching bands, floats and more!	Congress Ave. chuysparade.com
Nov. 25	Erth's Prehistoric Aquarium Adventure Take your family on an all-new adventure	The Long Center thelongcenter.org
Nov. 25	Rock of Ages - Broadway's best party	acl-live.org
Nov. 30	The Guess Who One of the most celebrated rock bands of all time	One World Theatre oneworldtheatre.org
Nov. 30 - Dec. 16	Christmas Wine Affair The most coveted wine trail of the year with many wineries	texaswinetrail.com

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