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Easter Fun in Jester!



by Teresa Gouldie, Social Chairman

Despite rain and high winds, we had a great turnout for the annual JHA Easter Egg Hunt. A huge thank you to Jon of Scoreboard and Kathy and Elyse of Art Amore, two Jester Village side-by-side businesses, who opened their doors to our group. They were gracious hosts on a rainy morning, and they truly saved the day when our event had to be relocated! The Easter Bunny hid eggs filled with goodies for all the children inside both locations. After the kiddos filled their baskets with colorful eggs, they were treated to a host of games and activities and had a chance to visit and take pictures with the Easter Bunny himself.

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The Petting Zoo was also a huge success! The children loved having the opportunity to get “up close and personal” by petting and cuddling a variety of animals. We’ve worked with Fry’s Fun Farm for years and they really know how to make the event spectacular for the kiddos! A special thanks to Erica & Ashley of Children’s Center of Austin for allowing us to set up under their overhang to avoid the rain. It was a great morning enjoyed by adults and children alike!

Many thanks as well to Judy and Gary Johnson, Jon Wisser, and Theresa Hall for their help with the event. We also appreciate the Welles, Sudderth, and Rollt families who allowed us to use their homes as Easter Egg Drop-offs.

And finally, a very special thanks goes to these amazing teenagers for getting up early on a Saturday morning and helping out: Elena Lam, Claire Condon, Claire Vasseur, Leah Dubiel, Isabel Wehbe, Kendal Berasley, Kirra Putnam, Megan Collins, Tessa Goeser, and Ben Claffin. They set a great example for our young children!

Please let me know if you would like to volunteer to help with our next event, the 4th of July parade. It’s a wonderful way to contribute in your neighborhood and we’d love your help! We are also always looking for input and suggestions to make these events bigger and better. To volunteer email Teresa at tgouldie@gmail.com or call 512-751-8000.

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By Dale Bulla | dale-bulla@pobox.com

Many of you have made this award possible. **Jester Estates has the largest number of certified habitats of any neighborhood in the city, just under 200.** Our city has been recognized for these efforts and the letter from the National Wildlife Federation acknowledging that effort is within this issue. If you have not yet certified your yard, please contact me, dale-bulla@pobox.com.

Dear Dale Bulla:



"Thank You, Jester!"

Because you are one of the more than 2,600 people in Travis County who have registered your property as a Certified Wildlife Habitat™ with the National Wildlife Federation, I write to share some great news.

Today, the National Wildlife Federation released a list honoring the nation's most wildlife-friendly cities as part of its 81st annual National Wildlife Week — **and Austin ranks #1.**

"To save the thousands of species at heightened risk of extinction, we need every American doing their part," says Collin O'Mara, president and CEO of the National Wildlife Federation. "Cities like these demonstrate how wildlife-friendly practices can easily be adopted into any community by taking tangible actions that benefit local wildlife on any scale. We are excited to see this momentum continue and we encourage more communities to join the effort."

The National Wildlife Federation's Urban Wildlife Program ranked America's 100 largest cities based on several important criteria for wildlife, including the amount of parkland within the city, participation in urban wildlife programs, and citizen action measured by citizen participation in the National Wildlife Federation's Certified Wildlife Habitat™ program. Certified Wildlife Habitats™ are properties that provide all the necessary elements for wildlife to survive – food, water, cover and places for wildlife to raise their young, while integrating sustainable gardening practices.

To learn more and to see the other cities honored for 2019, please see:

<https://www.nwf.org/Home/Latest-News/Press-Releases/2019/03-12-19-Top-Ten-Cities>

Please send me a picture of your Certified Wildlife Habitat™ sign, and I'll post it at our Austin office blog.

Thanks for all you do for the National Wildlife Federation – and for wildlife in Central Texas.

Sincerely,
Joel



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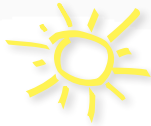
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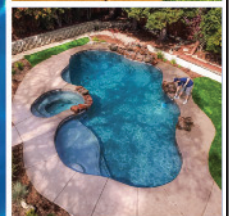
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May 9 - 26	The Merchant of Venice	austinsakespeare.org
May 10	Trombone Shorty and Orleans Avenue <i>Beloved bandleader, singer, songwriter & horn-blower</i>	The Moody Theater acl-live.com
May 11	Austin Lemonade Day <i>A free, fun experiential learning program that teaches youth how to start, own and operate their own business</i>	lemonadeday.org/austin
May 11	Paramount Gala-featuring the B-52's <i>Celebrate the 104th year of the historic Paramount Theatre</i>	Paramount Theatre austinthatre.org
May 11	O'Henry Pun-Off World Championship <i>Wacky wordplay and home groan wit</i>	O'Henry Museum backyard punoff.com
May 17 - 19	Deutschen Pfest <i>Pflugerville's most popular festival</i>	deutschenpfest.com
May 18 - 19	Austin Record Convention <i>Largest sale of recorded music in the USA</i>	Palmer Events Center austinrecords.com
May 19	ZZ Top <i>50th Anniversary Texas Bash with Cheap Trick</i>	Austin360 Amphitheater austin360amphitheater.com
May 20	India.Arie - 4-time Grammy winner this multi-week festival	austinthatre.org
May 23 - 26	Hot Luck Festival <i>Diverse Food & Music from all over the world!</i>	hotluckfest.com/events
May 23 - 26	Summer Classic Film Series <i>Featuring Casablanca, The Wizard of Oz, & More</i>	Paramount Theatre austinthatre.org
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