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**COURTYARD HOMEOWNERS  
ASSOCIATION, INC.**

# COURTYARD CALLER

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## PARK FIRE RESTRICTIONS EFFECTIVE AUGUST 12, 2019



Due to dangerous fire conditions that currently exist in the Central Texas area, the Austin Parks and Recreation Department is temporarily prohibiting the building of fires and grilling in all City of Austin parks, greenbelts and preserves—pursuant to Ordinance No. 20111102-025—effective immediately

and until further notice. This includes the use of wood or charcoal BBQ pits/grills/smokers. Propane stoves are allowed in designated picnic areas only. As a general reminder, smoking is always prohibited in City of Austin parks.

The Austin Police Department's Park Police and PARD's Park Rangers will enforce the ban in the City's parks and greenbelts. Violations may result in a fine between \$300 and \$500.

More information at

<http://austintexas.gov/news/city-austin-park-fire-restrictions-effective-august-12>

THESE PARK FIRE RESTRICTIONS ALSO APPLY TO THE COURTYARD COMMUNITY PARK AND ALL COMMON AREAS.

## COURTYARD BOOK CLUB TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2019 1P.M. 5612 N. SCOUT ISLAND CIRCLE

Please join the Courtyard Book Club in October as we discuss *Red Notice: A True Story of High Finance, Murder, and One Man's Fight for Justice* by Bill Browder.

When Browder, a bright young businessman, looked around for a place to make his fortune, he settled on Eastern Europe. With a shrewd knack for finding deals, he eventually became one of the biggest foreign investors in Russia. Unfortunately, the happy times didn't last. Success earned Browder the unwelcome attention of some powerful and unscrupulous people: the Russian oligarchs. This book is a stark warning to all who search for riches in Russia.

For November we will be reading the Mayor's book club selection for 2019, *The Library Book*, by Susan Orlean.

For more information about the Courtyard Book Club or for details about upcoming events, contact Lou Blemaster at 512-551-2659 or email [loublemaster@gmail.com](mailto:loublemaster@gmail.com).



New  
Basketball  
Goal

A big "thank you!" to Courtyard neighbors, Brian Hammes and Steve and Jane Flowers who contributed funds to purchase a new basketball goal and backboard for the community park. Brian and Terry Edwards installed the goal and painted the parking lot with the half court, complete with a free throw line and a three-point line. We are delighted to have this awesome upgrade to the park! Thank you!

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## FALL BAITING FOR ANTS

The month of September celebrates Fire Ant Awareness Week, so get involved! While you may not be seeing too many mounds yet, fall is a great time to bait for fire ants. Baiting in fall can help reduce the number of mounds appearing in spring. Baits take time for results to be seen, so be patient and schedule a regular baiting program for every spring and fall. If you need fire ants killed quickly, you may want to use an individual mound treatment.

Tips on using fire ant baits:



- Make sure you have a bait, not a granular
- Baits are either broadcasted over an entire property or sprinkled AROUND individual mounds for fire ants to pick up as food. Baits should NOT get wet.
- Granulars are sprinkled on TOP of a mound and watered in to carry the pesticide into the

mound to come into contact with the ants.

- Read the product label BEFORE YOU BUY to figure out if it is a bait or granular.
- Broadcasting baits using a handheld spreader saves time and reduces the amount of chemical applied to the environment.
- Use the proper amount of bait and application equipment for your yard size
- Read the label; it will tell you the rate of application and equipment required for application.
- Many baits are placed at a rate of 1-1 ½ pounds per acre.
- Many people do not follow the label and put out more bait than is needed.
- Check that fire ants are foraging before putting out bait.
- Place a hotdog slice or potato chip near a mound, leave for 10 minutes, then check for fire ant activity.
- Do not use stale or old bait.
- Smell bait to make sure it is not spoiled; spoiled bait smells rancid (if you are using spinosad fire ant bait, it smells somewhat funky normally so do not be alarmed).
- Store bait sealed in the original container out of reach of children and animals.

• Get your neighbors to bait the same time as you do; this will push reinvasion boundaries of fire ants further away from your property.

• Even better, organize a community-wide fire ant management program; they can help reduce the number of fire ants within your community and save money on chemical costs for everyone in the neighborhood.

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)



# FEELING LUCKY?

## **BUNCO** Resumes September 19Th!

*Hosted by Sarah Morgan  
and Lafayne Hodde*

**At the Courtyard Tennis  
& Swim Clubhouse**

**Arrive at 6:30 for social time  
Play begins at 7:00  
Play ends around 9:00**

*PLEASE Rsvp to Joany Price by Sept. 18th  
so that we have plenty of  
tables and chairs. My email is:  
joanyprice@gmail.com or 512-775-8942*



## Joany Price

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## POISONOUS SNAKES



Snake season in Central Texas begins in the Spring as temperatures rise and continues through the Fall. According to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Texas is home to over 105 different species and subspecies of snakes. Only 15 of those are potentially dangerous to humans.

Several coral snake sightings have occurred in

the Courtyard this year. Here are some important tips from TPWD on snake safety:

### **Avoid and Prevent**

- 1) Keep your lawn trimmed.
- 2) Keep your property free of debris, such as brush, rock or wood piles.
- 3) Do not attempt to trap or handle a snake, most snakes will retreat or flee if allowed to do so.

### **Snake Bites**

1) Assume envenomation has occurred and seek immediate medical attention, even if symptoms are not immediately observed. The onset of venom by coral snakes may occur as much as 24 hours after a bite.

2) Keep the victim calm.

3) Note the characteristics of the snake, and if possible, take a photo to help identify the species.

4) Wash the bite with an antibacterial.

5) Remove jewelry and tight-fitting clothing prior to the onset of swelling.

6) Limit or immobilize the extremity that was bit and keep this portion of the body below heart level.

See inset photo for an image of a coral snake, and remember: “red on yellow, kill a fellow; red on black, venom lack.”

For more information on Central Texas snake species, visit <https://tpwd.texas.gov/>



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## MAKING CONNECTIONS

3RD ANNUAL  
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BRAIN INJURY  
RESOURCE FAIR &  
CONFERENCE

10/26/2019

**Woodlawn Baptist Church**

4600 Manchaca Road

Austin, Texas 78745

Registration opens at 8:30 am  
Conference from 9-4:00 pm

## TICKETS:

Register at  
**teamlukehopeforminds.org** under the  
"Events" tab. Payment can be made  
online or at the door.  
Cost is \$10/person

Continental breakfast & lunch provided  
There will not be childcare.

Email [ronda@teamlukehopeforminds.org](mailto:ronda@teamlukehopeforminds.org) for scholarships for  
admission and/or travel expenses

**Making Connections** is a pediatric brain injury resource fair and conference presented by Team Luke Hope for Minds.

The purpose is to connect families and provide helpful resources and education. Parents will explore services, products, technologies, and other resources that would be of benefit to their children.

**PRESENTED BY:**



**Keynote Speaker**

**Paul G. Harch, M.D.**

**TOPICS INCLUDE:**

Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy for Rehabilitation of  
Acquired Pediatric Neurological Disorders

Stem Cells & Exosomes

Applying Functional Medicine and Nutrition to  
Pediatric Brain Injury

Strategies for Life: Maximizing Function after Brain  
Injury in Children

Transition 101: Transition to Adulthood

Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services  
Waivers

Grief and Trauma in Families with a Child with a  
Brain Injury

Navigating Public Education When Your Child has  
a Brain Injury

Bent, Not Broken: The Management of Scoliosis  
and Spinal Deformity after Brain Injury

Outpatient Cognitive Rehabilitation for Pediatric  
Brain Injury

Music Therapy: Mind-Body-Spirit Connection

*Answer: Ankylosaurus*

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## Sudoku

Visit: <https://www.memory-improvement-tips.com/printable-sudoku-puzzles-medium-16-solutions.html>  
and check your answers!

1		8			6	4		
		6		9		8		7
5								
2	6	9	5				8	
			4		9			
	8				2	7	9	1
								5
6		4		7		2		
		1	2			9		3

## Dinosaur Hunter

- 1) I lived in the Late Cretaceous Period
- 2) My fossils are found in Canada and USA
- 3) My name means "fused lizard"
- 4) I have a small head, a soft belly and thick armored skin on my back to protect me
- 5) I have a swinging club tail



Answer on Page 5!





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A black and white photograph of a chef in a kitchen. The chef is wearing a white shirt and a black apron. They are using a large knife to cut a piece of meat on a white cutting board. The background is a blurred kitchen setting. Overlaid on the image is text for a job opening. The text "JOIN OUR TEAM" is in a large, bold, italicized font. Below it, the job titles and wages are listed: "Cutters \$14.00", "Cashiers \$13.00", and "Kitchen/Bussers \$12.00". The Rudy's logo is in the bottom left corner, and a call to action "Apply at rudysbbq.com" is in a grey oval in the bottom right corner.



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*April 1 - August 6, 2019*

## HOME STATS

**6**

SOLD

**\$256.77**

AVG \$/SQFT

**7**

DAYS ON MARKET

## TOWNHOME STATS

**6**

SOLD

**\$251.82**

AVG \$/SQFT

**56**

DAYS ON MARKET

## HOMES WITH BOAT DOCK STATS

**3**

PENDING

**\$474.18**

AVG \$/SQFT

**27**

DAYS ON MARKET

## THE COURTYARD Q2 2019 ACTIVITY

1 HOME pending

1 TOWNHOUSE available

1 WATERFRONT HOMES available

15 PROPERTIES sold

*For more details on what is going on in The Courtyard, please give me a call.*

Information compiled from the Austin Multiple Listing Service.



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