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**HIGHLAND PARK WEST BALCONES AREA
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

THE HPWBANA NEWS

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2021
HAPPY NEW YEAR



We had a wonderful experience as both buyers and sellers when working with Rebecca.

Buying and selling a home is stressful, but Rebecca's calm, professional demeanor and her organizational skills made the entire process so much easier. There was no point where we felt that any detail had escaped her attention. This allowed us to focus on the specifics of our move, rather than being concerned about details of the transactions.

Our expectations for a Realtor were high and Rebecca exceeded our expectations in every way.

Stephanie and Michael McCollum

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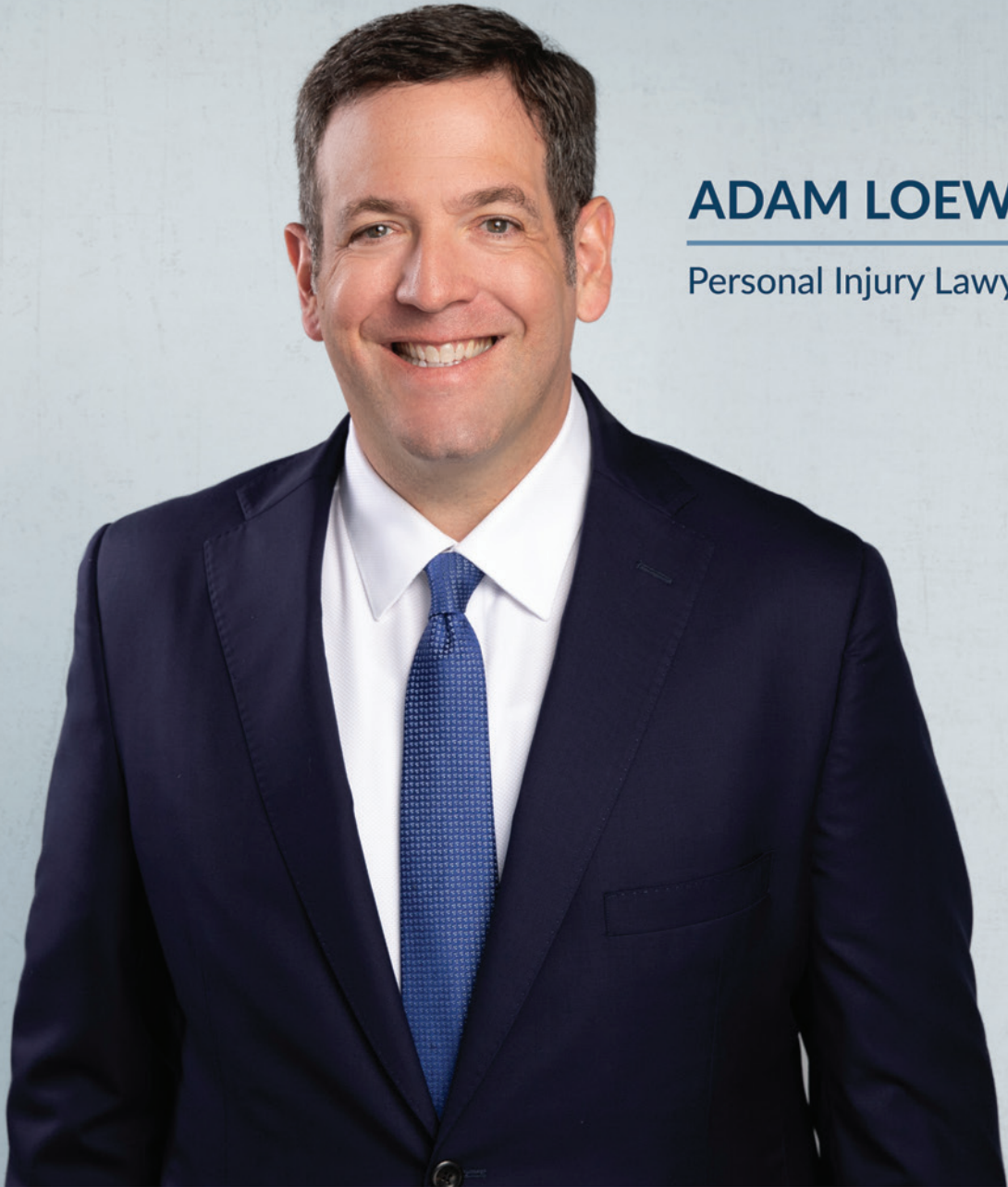
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The HPWBANA Board meets on the fourth Monday of each month except December. Please go to HPWBANA.org for our current meeting location or contact president@hpwbana.org.

HPWBANA is bordered on the north by 2222, on the south by 35th Street, on the west by Mt. Bonnell Road, and on the east by MoPac and by Bull Creek Road between Hancock Drive and 45th Street. Mail your membership dues to HPWBANA, P.O. Box 26101, Austin, Texas 78755.



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Constable Patrol

HPWBANA Neighbors:

The constable has begun reporting the range of speeding over the speed limit in his reports: 10-15 mph over the posted speed and 16 mph or more over the posted speed. For the cumulative reporting of the information in the summary reports since late April, 145 moving violations were for speeds between 10 and 15 miles per hour over the posted speed limit and two moving violations were for speeds 16 miles per hour or more. The constable is reporting that he continues to see more neighbors walking while he is on patrol and cautions walkers to be watching for and avoiding deer aggression/territory during deer rutting season.

Please note that 77% (215 out of 280) of the traffic stops for 2020 continue to be of drivers who do not live in the Highland Park West Balcones Area compared with 73% (404 out of 556) of the traffic stops for 2019 and 74% (495 out of 672) of the traffic stops for 2018. The trend continues that roughly 75% of traffic stops are not residents of the neighborhood. Traffic enforcement is a key element for safety in the neighborhood.



AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, Impact Speed and the Pedestrian's Risk of Severe Injury or Death, September 2011.

The cost of the constable patrol is \$65/hour.

Neighbor donations provided funding for 122 hours (74%) of the 164 paid patrol hours in 2019. A donor is pledging to donate \$4,000 to match \$4,000 in neighbor donations. Please ask your neighbors for their support of this effort. To contribute to this effort, you may donate through <http://hpwbana.org/get-involved/join-hpwbana>, include a donation with your annual dues payment, or contact me at president@hpwbana.org.

We have all been receiving e-mail information and recommendations on the COVID-19 Virus. Resources include:

<https://austintexas.gov/COVID19> (City of Austin);

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html> (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention);

<https://www.nih.gov/health-information/coronavirus> (National Institutes of Health); and,

<https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/> (Texas Health and Human Services)

And thanks for your continued support.

Be Safe!

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Now is the time to support the Highland Park West Balcones Area Neighborhood Association by renewing your membership for 2021! We need your support to continue neighborhood events, projects, and advocacy.

2021 FAMILY MEMBERSHIP FORM

<input type="checkbox"/> 2021 Family Membership (\$25) <input type="checkbox"/> 2021 Single Member Household Membership (\$20)	Additional Donation amount: \$_____
Name: _____	Applied to:
Name of second adult: _____	___ Neighborhood Preservation
Address: _____	___ Transportation & Safety (Constable Patrol)
Phone: _____	___ Beautification
Email: _____	___ Events
	___ Other (please list)

IT'S EASY! PICK YOUR WAY TO PAY.

1. **MAIL IT IN.** Send in the above Membership Form with a check made payable to:

HPWBANA
PO Box 26101
Austin, TX 78755

2. **VENMO!** How to find us? Search for: **HPWBANA Treasurer @HPWBANA**

Please include all the info from the form above in the "what's it for?" field.

Important! If you include an additional donation amount, please specify the **amount** and **where** you would like it applied to (categories in the membership form above).

3. **Paypal.** Go to the following link: **www.hpwbana.org/join**

Thank you,

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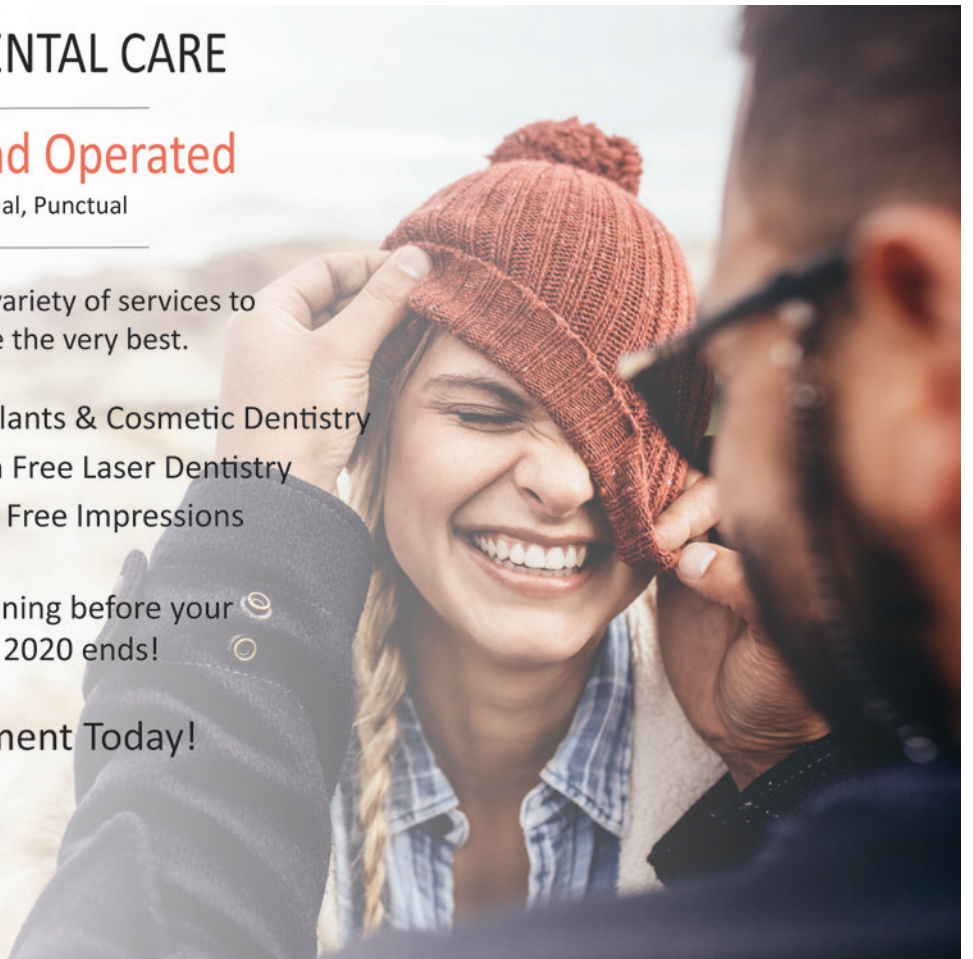
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LETTUCE RECYCLE!

by Dena Houston

WHAT DO I DO WITH.....?

Each week, I receive recycling questions from the readers of "Lettuce Recycle". I love getting these questions and publish the questions and answers in future articles for all of my readers. One of my best tools is the City of Austin website called "What Do I Do With.....". Here is the link to the website: <http://www.austintexas.gov/what-do-i-do>. Type in the name of an item you want to recycle and the website will tell you how to recycle or dispose of it.

This is an amazing website and, in this crazy world of everchanging recycling guidelines and policies, it takes a lot of time and effort to keep it up to date. Kudos to the City for this wonderful recycling tool.

There is also a mobile app available for your phone and tablet. It is called "Austin Recycles" and was launched in April of 2020. After you type in your address, a calendar will pop up with all of your recycling collection dates. If you hit the search icon at the bottom, it brings up the "What Do I Do With" tool.

Below is a brief history and more information about "What Do I Do With":

- It was launched in 2015.
 - Since it was launched, it has been viewed more than 612,000 times.
 - This tool was built by a third-party partner, ReCollect. They work with many municipalities and provide these tools. They manage the coding, build-outs, and technical improvements.
- The Austin Resource Recovery marketing representative manages this website in the following ways:
- Makes updates as needed when an item's recyclability changes or more recycling resources become available.
 - Posts news of facility changes (like when the Recycle & Reuse Drop-Off Center was closed temporarily during the pandemic).
 - For items not listed, adds information as it becomes available.
- The number of items added to this website increased more than 33% in the last year.

QUESTION AND SUGGESTIONS FROM OUR READERS:

HOW DO I RECYCLE PLASTIC COAT HANGERS? – These can go into your blue recycling bin. Savers will take them for reuse; Goodwill will not.

ARE SMALL PIECES OF PLYWOOD COMPOSTABLE? They are not. The glue that holds the pieces of wood together makes them non-compostable. Put them into the trash bin.

HOW DO I RECYCLE PLANT FLATS FROM THE NURSERY? These can go into your blue bin. Be sure they are clean and dirt-free.

REGLUE AUSTIN was featured on KUT as a nonprofit organization that makes used PC's available to school children. Here is their website: <http://reglue.org/>

INSIDE BOOKS PROJECT donates books to Texas prisoners. Please check out their website for details: <https://insidebooksproject.org/donate-books>.

If you have any questions or recycling ideas, please send them to: recycling@hpwbana.org.

PLEASE REMEMBER - WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT!

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