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Updates and Events

Events and Book Club

Apr 5, 7pm: Indie Lens Pop-Up - *The Armor of Light*
Apr 6, 13 & 27, 6:30pm: Practiquemos Español - Practice Spanish Language skills
Apr 7, 14, 21 & 28, 10:15am: All Ages Storytime
Apr 12, 3:30pm: Lego Lab
Apr 12, 7pm: Book Club, *All the Light We Cannot See*, Anthony Doerr
Apr 13, 3:30pm: Million Mile Month - My Library Keeps me Healthy
Apr 19, 3:30pm: Free Play Gaming
May 3, 7pm: Indie Lens Pop-Up - *Peace Officer*
May 10, 7pm: Book Club: *This is How You Lose Her*, Junot Diaz

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The Windsor Park Neighborhood Plan Contact Team (WPNPCT)

is a representative group of neighborhood stakeholders charged as stewards of the Neighborhood Plan, to uphold the implementation of the Plan's vision, goals and recommendations, and to review & vote on all proposed amendments to the Plan.

Meetings are the second Monday of each month at the Windsor Park Library (subject to change) at 6:30 p.m. Contact Conor Kenny at conor@conorkenny.net or 512-968-3050

Everyone is invited to attend and participate.

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APRIL LETTER FROM THE PRESEIDENT

Dear Neighbors,

It was nice to see all of you at our last meeting. At that meeting we heard from Carlos Cardova from Austin Energy on improvements and new developments that will be made to the grid in the Mueller Development. We also had an informative presentation from Shuronda Robinson and Kevin Opp of Adisa Public Relations on the City of Austin Aquatics master plan. Their presentation focused on the current and future needs as regards pools and the like as Austin expands.

At the last meeting, I also read a rough draft of a restrictive covenant that was proposed by Austin Achieve regarding future use of that property should the school close. A restrictive covenant is a document that would restrict the parcel that Austin Achieve is on from being turned into anything other than a school should the school decide to sell it. This would remain in effect unless WPNA membership approves another use. As some of you may recall, there was some concern a while back that building the school was just a way for a developer to get in there, build a structure, and then turn into something commercial. This is the school's way of reassuring the neighborhood that that is emphatically NOT their intention and that they intend to operate as a school forever and always. It is completely voluntary and will cost the WPNA nothing in return. I am still waiting for a final draft. Once I have that I will circulate it among membership and post to the list-serv.

Please join us at our next general membership meeting. At this meeting we will hear from John Umphress, the Conservation Program Specialist at Austin Energy Green Building on ways to conserve energy in our homes. At this meeting we will also have our annual plant swap, so please feel free to bring any volunteer plantings you wish to unload.

Finally, on April 17th the Nomad Bar, Black Dagger Tattoo and Corona Coffee will be hosting a neighborhood party in the parking lot. The details are still being worked out, but we are anticipating local vendors, food trucks, and live music. WPNA will have a table at that event. If you would like to donate to either our scholarship fund or renew your membership, you may do so at that event. As always, membership renewals and donations can also be made on our website: www.windsorpark.info.

That's all for now. I look forward to seeing many of you at our next general meeting.

Sincerely,
Karen Pagani
President of the WPNA

Windsor Park Neighborhood Association Meeting

Saturday, April 9 at 10am.

Memorial United Methodist Church
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Email them to:
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Yard of the Month - April 2016

Sara Jane Lee

The April March winners are Eduardo and Jennifer Chavez and their young son, Oscar. They live at 1901 Sunny Brook Drive. They have lived there seven years.

They have been inspired by several individuals, Crystal Murray, Christy Ten Eyck, Scott and Lauren Springer Ogden. They have also gotten inspiration from the Rock Rose Blog, the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, and Grow w Green.

Since they live on the corner, their side yard plays an important in their landscape. For the past few years the members of the Yard of the Month Committee have admired the wildflowers that bloom each spring in their side yard. This year we decided to take a look before the wildflowers are in full bloom. We assume that by April they will be in their full glory. They have Bluebonnets, Indian Blanket, Evening Primrose, and many others. They buy wildflower seed mixes and seed them at the proper time. Ironically, they had their best results the time they used a Colorado mix.

In their front yard they have American Beautyberry, Gregg Dalea, Blackfoot daisy, Copper Canyon Daisy, Wright's Purple and Heartland Skullcaps, Inland Sea Oats, Texas Sotol, Basket Grass, Whale's Tongue, Queen Victoria, Artichoke Agaves, and Agave Celsii, Silver Ponyfoot, prostrate Rosemary, Esperanza, Texas Horse Crippler, Brazilian Rock Rose, and Bradford Pear. Eduardo's favorite plant is the whale's tongue agave because of its massive blue-green leaves. Oscar likes the bluebonnet because it is the Texas state flower.

The Chavez's have been working on their landscape since they have moved in. They have been careful to choose native and adapted plants. During the spring and the fall they spend about two to five hours a week on their yard. Weed control takes most of their time. They buy mulch in bulk, and are very pleased with Geo Growers. Eduardo advises new gardeners to (1)have fun (2) buy the right tools and a good pair of gloves, and (3)if a plant is not doing well, feel free to replant it in a different place.

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Eduardo and Jennifer will receive a \$50.00 gift certificate from our sponsor, Shoal Creek Nursery, 2710 Hancock Drive.

Pictures of the Yard of the Month are displayed on our website, www.Windsorpark.info as well as our Facebook page. Check them out.

Do you like a certain yard, or yards, in the neighborhood? You can nominate more than one. Tell us. We cannot visit every yard in the neighborhood every month. We may not have seen your great yard. Don't be humble. We love to get nominations. To nominate a yard or yards, e-mail us at yom@windsorpark.info, call 928-0681 or write WPNA YOMC, P O Box 16183, Austin, Texas 78761



Cameron Road Church of Christ
welcomes all from near and far to our Annual Open House - Sunday, May 1, 2016.
You are welcome at any time, but we have a special day to introduce ourselves to the neighborhood. You are cordially invited to join us for Bible classes (all ages) at 9:00 a.m. and worship services at 10:00 a.m. Expect warm greetings, informative Bible classes, and uplifting worship services. We will be happy to answer any questions you may have. For further information, call our church office at (512) 452-0639.
Come see us! You will be our honored guests.

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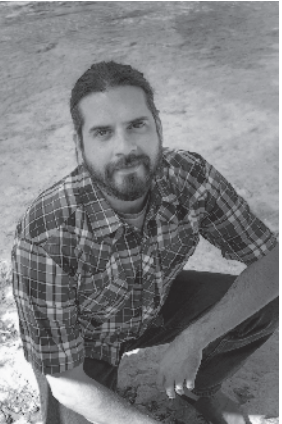

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| # OF HOMES SOLD IN (FEB 2016) | 11 |
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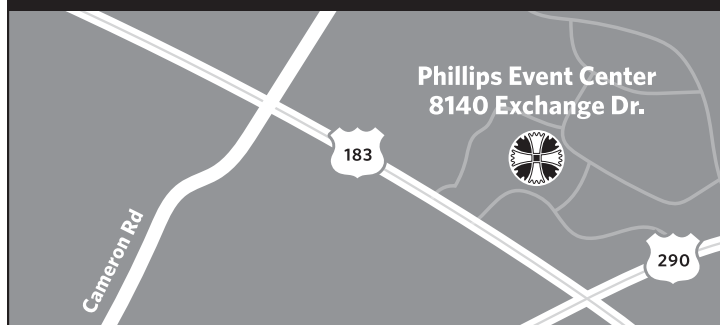
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Honey Bee Swarms

Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist

Honey bees are beneficial by producing honey, wax and pollinating crops. With warmer temperatures, honey bees are becoming more active and may soon begin to swarm.



Honey bee swarms look like a large clump of bees clustered together. The swarm may stay in a location from a few hours to a week. Swarms are produced as a part of the colony's reproductive process. An established colony produces a new queen, causing the old queen and half the worker bees to leave the colony to search for a new nesting location. Swarming honey bees are usually gentle and unlikely to sting. Swarms are not protecting their home, food or offspring. Scout bees are sent out from the swarm to search for a nesting site. Colonies produce comb and honey and are defensive. Bees from a colony are more likely to sting as they are guarding their home, food and offspring.

Sometimes, honey bee colonies can be found in wall voids, chimneys, attics or sheds. If bees are in a wall void, DO NOT block their entrance; this makes them search for another way to exit and could lead bees into the structure.

To keep bees from entering a home, seal any holes found in walls where pipes enter the home, cracks in window framing, knotholes, weep holes, or cracks between wood and brick junctures.

While many enjoy having honey bees around, some people are severely allergic to their venom. This, along with other situations, such as bees located near sensitive areas (such as playgrounds) may require removal or even extermination of the bees.

People should NOT try remove or exterminate bees on their own. Beekeepers and pest control companies have equipment to carry out these jobs in a safe manner. The city or county does not provide bee removal services. 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

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April 2016 Mueller Update

Rick Krivoniak

Paid parking at Mueller will be instituted several months prior to the opening of the Alamo Drafthouse Cinema - still scheduled for late 2016 - and other upcoming Aldrich Street/Town Center businesses. Locations for paid parking will include Simond Avenue and the district parking garage on McBee Street behind the Thinkery. Garage parking validation will be available for patrons of the Thinkery & other Town Center businesses. The off-street lot at Lake Park will remain free for those using the park. Free on-street parking will remain available on Zach Scott, Camacho and Mattie Streets that form the southern and eastern borders of Lake Park.

Every Wednesday the Thinkery museum stays open from 4 to 8 PM for families to learn together and enjoy the exhibits and educational programs facilitated by staff. No entry fee is required, though a \$1 donation is suggested. Bilingual Storytime is each Wednesday at 6 PM. More information is available at www.thinkeryaustin.org.

Kurt Stogdill, Austin Energy Green Building and Sustainability Manager relayed information at the March WPNA meeting regarding funds from a \$4.3 million Department of Energy grant, a \$1 million Texas Commission on Environmental Quality grant, and a \$3.3 million AE contribution for Austin SHINES. This program will encompass a “community” lithium-ion battery storage facility at the upcoming solar farm near Springdale Road and Airport Boulevard, and another at a yet to be determined location at Mueller, where a high concentration of both commercial and residential rooftop photovoltaic panels will also allow medium-scale battery storage at office and retail complexes, and residential “Tesla garage-wall” batteries as well. The Mueller portion of this program will likely not be implemented until 2017.

The Travis Central Appraisal District and the Mueller Foundation still have not agreed on a solution to the substantial increase in 2015 property tax appraisals assessed on the affordable homes at Mueller. While some individual lawsuits are in progress, TCAD and the Foundation continue to work toward a resolution for the owners of Mueller’s affordable homes. 2016 appraisals will be issued by TCAD in early April.

The next meeting of the Robert Mueller Municipal Airport Plan Implementation Advisory Commission (RMMAPIAC/ Mueller Commission) is Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 6PM at Parque Zaragoza Recreation Center, 2608 Gonzales Street. Address Mueller questions and comments to bc-rick.krivoniak@austintexas.gov

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Windsor Park Community Gardens

Sam, WP Community Gardens

If you live, work, worship, or study in the Windsor Park area, please consider joining the merry, growing band at Windsor Park Community Gardens! Several plots are currently available to establish your tomatoes, squash, cukes, peppers, etc. in rustic raised beds among friendly natural gardeners. Membership in the community garden also gives you access to our small (but often productive) fruit tree orchard, and our evolving partnership with the Compost Pedallers should yield rich shares of fresh compost!

A modest sliding-scale annual fee (for water /maintenance) is involved, along with a small seasonal labor requirement. Get on board soon with the no-sprayin’, weed-pullin’, compost-turnin’, veggie-pickin’ gang at WPCG for a tastier, zestier spring table!

For details, contact our coordinator at wpgardeners@gmail.com



Zika Virus

Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist

Zika virus is transmitted by Aedes mosquitoes and there is no specific treatment or vaccine currently available. The best way to avoid getting the virus is to avoid being bitten by infected mosquitoes. About 20% of people with Zika virus actually get ill. Severe disease, requiring hospitalization, is uncommon and death due to the virus is rare.

The incubation period of Zika virus is thought to be a few days to a week, but is still unknown. Symptoms include fever, skin rash, conjunctivitis, muscle and joint pain, and headache. Symptoms tend to be mild and last from 2-7 days. Zika virus can be contracted through the bite of an infected mosquito, through blood transfusions, through sexual contact, and from mother to child during pregnancy.

The mosquitoes that are able to transmit Zika virus are also able to transmit dengue and Chikungunya viruses. These mosquitoes are daytime biters, but can also bite at night. Aedes mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water- buckets, tires, tree holes, animal water dishes, etc.

To protect yourself from mosquito bites, wear light-colored clothing that covers as much skin as possible, use insect repellent (read and follow label instructions), use screening on doors and windows, use mosquito netting (if needed) while sleeping, and reduce standing water areas.

For more information on Zika virus, please see the CDC website here <http://www.cdc.gov/zika/index.html>

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April update from CM Casar

Fair Chance Hiring up for a final vote

Last year, my office kicked off a campaign to make Austin the first Fair Chance Hiring city in the South. Too many hardworking and qualified individuals in our community have trouble getting a job because they are judged solely on their criminal record, rather than their potential. Fair Chance Hiring laws across the United States to delay inquiries into conviction history until the end of the application process, thereby giving more people a fair shot at employment. If this law passes, large employers in Austin will still be allowed to run background checks—but will have to consider job applicants' merits first.

Fair Chance policies are anti-discriminatory at heart, and they also benefit the public safety of our community. Finding secure employment is a major factor in reducing recidivism and re-incarceration in our community. My proposed policy would not apply to positions for which federal, state, or local law disqualifies an individual based on conviction history: instead, it would make sure that everyday people can have a shot at any everyday job, and that their qualifications are considered in the context of their past.

The City Council will vote on this ordinance on the March 24th meeting. I hope by the time you read this Austin will have made an affirmative vote to remove barriers to economic mobility, and make take this significant step forward for civil rights and racial justice in our community.

More Living Wage Jobs

Because of State law, the City of Austin cannot, by a blanket policy, raise the minimum wage for all of the workers in our city. However, we can ensure that food service workers, landscapers, and construction employees working on city contracts are paid a decent wage of at least \$13 per hour.

This month, I've brought forward policy proposals to close the loopholes that currently allow hundreds of workers on City of Austin projects to earn less than \$10 per hour. Our initiative will ensure that all workers associated with the City, regardless of whether they're City employees, or employees of our contractors or subcontractors, are not left out when it comes to our living wage protections.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: MRS. CHARLES SAMPLER

Martin Luecke

Celebrating her 50th year on Rogge Lane, Betty Sampler has spent most of her life living in Windsor Park, but at the age of 95, that means there's plenty of other life she was leading before getting here.

Originally from Minnesota, Betty loved singing and studied music in college, and organized all girl quartets to per-



form around town. She carried this love to her first job as a music teacher in Fargo ND. Then the war broke out and Betty signed on with the USO, and was stationed at the famed whistle stop in Wichita, Kansas. She later got a job at Boeing aircraft in Wichita where she met her husband Chuck. Betty put together a quartet of two guys and two gals and performed in Wichita for 2 years. The quartet moved to Chicago after that in a beat up 1929 Dodge that was missing its trunk! "It was very Grapes of Wrath" she says. As The Solidaires they signed with an advertising agency and worked on WGN radio. After winning a \$100 war bond the group packed up the Dodge and drove to New York City where The Solidaires made a lot of appearances in commercials on the radio and eventually on this new thing called television. This was 1946 and very few people had heard of television and even fewer owned one. Betty and Chuck were among the very first people to sing on television.

Chuck went on to get a job with an oil company and moved back to Texas where he sent for Betty later when he had secured a teaching job for her in San Angelo. They were married in 1948 and started a life together in Texas, which was Chuck's home state, eventually moving to Austin later that year. All the while Betty was teaching piano and arranging music for small singing groups, including her own, and maintained a schedule of performances at weddings, civic events, and holiday festivals. America was such a different place back in those days, and there was high demand for quartets, barber shop or all gals or couples, and Betty was known for arranging the music to fit these groups.

Once in Austin Betty got a job teaching music at Allen Junior High (which does not exist any longer). She says Austin was a very different place in those days. They lived in a 4 story "high rise" on Pearl Street, one of the taller buildings in town. Through the years Chuck was appointed to the Urban Renewal program and was in charge of building Symphony Square in downtown Austin. He was also Director of the Chamber of Commerce and Vice Admiral of Aqua Fest, which was the biggest event in Austin for decades.

Betty and Chuck designed and built their house on Rogge Lane in 1966, where they finished raising their two daughters. They continued to sing in different groups all the while, Chuck in the Cord Rangers, and Betty in The Singing Notables, and were once hired by Liz Carpenter to perform for LBJ and Lady Bird out at their ranch. Betty kept the group organized and working up until 2000 when she had a stroke. These days she still plays the piano, and even offered me free lessons for whenever I had the urge to play!

Upon leaving, she turned to me and said "You need three things to make great music: rhythm, melody, and harmony." That sounds like a good recipe for life. No wonder Betty is still going strong at 95.

Thanks for all the nominations! Martin Luecke 536.0465 or mwluecke@hotmail.com

Andrews Elementary

Crystal Brown, Assistant Principal

March has been an amazing month of celebrations and focused learning. Teachers and students have been working hard to ensure that they are prepared for the first round of STAAR tests. Spring Break came at a perfect time for a much needed break for everyone to rest and return ready to put their best effort for the rest of the school year.

The Read Across America celebration was a huge success! The students surpassed their goal of reading a 1000 books and reached over 3,700 books! Mr. House’s 5th grade class read the most with nearly 400 books. Our Pre-K through 1st grade student had a Dr. Seuss book parade for everyone to enjoy.

Explore UT was a wonderful experience for our parents and students. Thank you to our Parent Support Specialist, Christina Chapa for organizing this excellent event.

This coming month we will be recognizing 3rd-5th graders had work in our Honors Assembly. Students will be receiving awards for Prefect Attendance, Citizenship, and A-B honor Roll.

Please be sure to follow us on Twitter at AndrewsECP_AISD

Blanton Elementary

Karon Smutzer, ACE Site Coordinator

Spring Break is over but certainly not forgotten...but it’s back to school and the students are studying hard. It is nearly the time of year for standardized testing to begin and our Blanton scholars want to be up for the challenge. The end of school for this year is also rapidly approaching. Note: The ACE Summer Camp will run from June 6 through July 22.

April 10 will be our garden/beautification work day starting at 10am. We can always use help working on the beautification of our school campus...we maintain the fruit trees, raised planting beds and perform general landscape upkeep as part of a monthly work day to benefit our school. April 29 we will host a Principal’s Coffee, in the parent support room (108). Our next PTA meeting date is not yet scheduled but will be posted at the school. Parents interested in Blanton Elementary are invited to attend either or both of these meetings.

Reminder: **The ‘Spring Fling’ Carnival is being held on April 22 from 2:45 to 5:45 p.m.** Lots of food, booths, water fun and more...You won’t want to miss it...A great family event...Plan now to come!!!

The ACE program continues to offer students after school classes and have a large variety of activities giving students the opportunity to experience many choices. ACE has another FREE cooking class that began March 24, this one is being presented by the Capitol Area Food Bank. We also continue to have ESL (English as a Second Language) classes on Friday mornings at 8:30 a.m....anyone interested in participating in any of our classes should feel free to contact Ms. Karon at the number listed below.

ACE continues collecting t-shirts for the ‘T-Shirts for Hunger Program’. The shirts are collected to make grocery bags to be used by the food bank when handing out food to the needy. Clean, gently used (no holes) t-shirts may be brought to the school and put in the t-shirt barrel and ACE will see they are delivered to Travis County. The best sizes are youth large, adult small and adult medium - we accept long-sleeve, short-sleeve or tank tops. We welcome our community to participate in this activity and we thank those who have already donated. The collection barrel is in the school office.

We encourage the Windsor Park community to join us for the fun and enjoyment of any special events whenever they have the opportunity, just keep an eye here to find out what has and will be happening at Blanton Elementary. For

more information, please feel free to contact Karon Smutzer, ACE Site Coordinator at karon.smutzer@austinisd.org or call 512-841-5678 to leave a message.

Harris Elementary

Gloria Cano, School Counselor

Spring is a busy time at Harris Elementary! Many events are happening during the month of April, including our Multi-Cultural Fair. This is a fun event where student and parents attend to learn about various countries and their cultures. There are activities such as games, music, and food tasting. We will also hold our last No Place for Hate activity which is titled World Music Day. We will celebrate outdoors with dancing and music from around the world. Our choir will perform and so will our school cheerleaders reminding us about living in harmony with other students from different cultures and backgrounds as one big Harris family.

Fifth grade class Science Bowl winners were Ms. Sileo’s class. They had the top score and earned a free pizza party for knowing their science concepts and vocabulary. First graders enjoyed time at the rodeo after Spring break. They had a chance to see many animals and learn how the animal’s owners take care of them. Our Monarch Butterfly Garden should be complete by the beginning of April. Teachers, parents, students and staff have been working on the flower boxes and planting. We can’t wait to see all those butterflies!

Thanks to our Seedling mentors, parent volunteers and community members for help in making Harris a great place to be! We appreciate all the work you do on behalf of our students and staff. Thank you UMMC for encouraging our students with little goodies during test time.

John H. Reagan Early College High School

Julia Remington, LCSW Bilingual Social Service Specialist

Great things are happening at Reagan! The Reagan Robotics advanced to the Region Robotics Competition last month for the 1st time ever! Reagan students have earned over \$1 million dollars in college scholarships already... and that number continues to grow. 21 new students have qualified to take early college high school classes and will start in the summer. The PALS program completed their 1st elementary school visit to mentor students!

Please join us for the upcoming events:


- April 10, 9:00 am to 10:00am- Principal Coffee
- April 22- 5:00 pm Soul Strutters Spring Show
- April 30 Unity Walk- Meet at Webb Middle School at 9:00 am and walk together with your neighbors to Reagan. There will be a festival at Reagan starting at 10:00am.

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Sunday School- 9:15am
Office # 452-5796 Worship - 10:30am

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