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Next Neighborhood Association Meeting

**Saturday, Nov
10th at 10am.**

**Back room at
Memorial United
Methodist Church
6100 Berkman Dr.**

Nov Meeting Focus:

**Principals of
our local mid-
dle and high
schools**

**Vote for New
WPNA
officers -**

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the slate**

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November Letter from the President

By Meghan Dougherty

Election season is upon us, and you're either reading this immediately before Election Day, November 6, or more likely afterward. It has been a busy one, and I'm proud to say that the Windsor Park Neighborhood Association has done its part to help keep our neighborhood informed about key positions on the ballot. We had a forum of AISD trustees at our last WPNA meeting in October with candidates in both the District 1 and District 9 at-large positions. We held a forum for the District 1 City Council race, in which all seven candidates running participated. Mayor Steve Adler and Laura Morrison came to our meeting in August to share their visions for the city and answer our questions about the mayoral campaign as well. I hope many of you have had an opportunity to interact with our candidates at one of these events, or other events that were held throughout Austin. It's hard to judge how this election will turn out as I write this article in mid-October, but given the plethora of yard signs around our neighborhood, it seems like our neighborhood will be turning out in force.

With the general elections, we also have our own Neighborhood Association officer elections coming up at our general meeting on November 10. I'm very excited about our slate of officer candidates this year. As I am concluding my 2nd 1-year term, I will be stepping down as president. Please see the excellent article in this newsletter showcasing the people selected by our nominating committee – the slate of Officers is a great mix of newer neighbors and folks who have been contributing to WPNA and our neighborhood for some time. Anyone else interested in running for an officer position may also self-nominate at any time prior to the election.

Having worked very closely with the returning officers over the past two years, I cannot say enough about their dedication, perseverance, work ethic, positivity, and teamwork. Anything we have committed to as an organization, we have worked through together, supporting one another, and following through to the end. I have been incredibly lucky and grateful to work with such caring and smart people who have given their precious time (away from family and other obligations) to do good for the neighborhood. I'd also like to give a huge thanks to Brian Graham. He is not running for re-election, but I've never worked with anyone as gifted at researching an issue, compiling all the information, then sharing what he's learned in a straightforward way. He's helped us make sense of the complexities of CodeNext and educated us about things happening at the Austin Neighborhoods Council so that we were able to make informed decisions for the good of our neighborhood.

Our special guests at our November 10 meeting will also be the principals of our local middle and high schools. Come and find out more about the state of our schools and how we can build better partnerships with them. I see a lot of commentary on social media regarding the state of our roads, traffic, and pedestrian and bike safety. The WPNA does have a transportation committee, however it has been on hiatus until we can identify a new committee chair. Are you passionate about advocating for improved roads and safety in our neighborhood? Are you (relatively) organized? Are you looking for ways to get involved? Please reach out to me at president@windsorpark.info if you might be interested in taking on this role.

- President: Dan Strub
- Secretary: Emily Vitris
- Inter-Neighborhood Delegate (formerly ANC Delegate) Chandler B...

PRESIDENT: Dan Strub

VICE PRESIDENT: Jackie Brooks

in serving a greater cause. Recently, I have been working with the Revitalization committee to build our relationships with local businesses and facilitate a Placemaking project with the team. I would be honored to continue my service as the Vice President for this neighborhood's cause, the WPNA, to extend and enhance its great works.

I have been in Austin for nine years. My husband and I purchased our first home in Windsor Park almost four years ago. Our 21-month-old son is a proud WP native! We LOVE this neighborhood. [Cont. on page 3]

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[WPNA Slate of Officers, contin. from page 2]

It's the first neighborhood that we've lived in, in Austin, that really feels like a neighborhood. I love the diversity of our neighborhood, I love the proximity to downtown. I love living next to Mueller and the offerings all around for food, entertainment, outdoor spaces. I love that there are neighborhood schools within walking distance of our home.

In the two years I've been Secretary, I've contributed to a structure that has helped the WPNA become more efficient and organized. As a member of the WPNA Executive Committee, I've tried to be very thoughtful in our planning to ensure that both sides of every issue are represented at our meetings. We've established norms for the Executive Committee Meetings and the monthly WPNA meetings that have kept us focused and professional. We've sought out feedback in order to better our organization. Specifically, I've listened very closely to make sure ideas are accurately represented in the minutes each month and distributed the minutes promptly.

I'd like to continue thinking about how we communicate with our WPNA members. Many of our members are not tech-savvy, and I think they miss a great deal of information as the list-serve becomes our main form of communicating.

I'd also like to: work on building more social opportunities for the neighborhood; see more opportunities for neighbors to connect, aside from the monthly meetings; recruit younger membership; create opportunities for WPNA families to connect, especially those with young children; find more ways for our committees to interact with one another; identify some common goals for WPNA to work toward together for next year.

TREASURER: Meg Brooks

I bought my house in 2005. I had been the Neighborhood District Attorney assigned here from 1999 to 2003, so I knew lots of the people who were active in the neighborhood. I already knew several people on my street when I bought my house. I love how open, thoughtful and active people are in this neighborhood.

I have no particular skills to be treasurer but I am honest and fairly organized. As Treasurer, I am still working on straightening up our records. I have also been Secretary and part of the Nomination and Audit Committees.

For the future, it would be great to figure out a way for people to join for more than one year and get a reminder email when their membership is up. I am hoping we can get the newsletter to be self-sustaining through sponsorships.. We are very close to having everything financial in QuickBooks.

INTER-NEIGHBORHOOD DELEGATE: Chandler Brooks

My wife Jackie and I moved to Austin in May of 2017. After a great deal of house-hunting from afar (for 4 months from Dallas), we stumbled across a neighborhood we continued to return to for its location and access to amenities like the HEB in Mueller. When our now home popped up on the market, we were the first to put in an offer and are consistently reminded of what a great decision that was! The sense of place, the fabric of the community, and the intactness of its defining elements are all so impressive to me.

Professionally, I have spent the last 10 years in the architectural and construction community through my work as an Architectural Intern, Project Management in Commercial Construction, and now as a Marketing Director for a tech company specializing in construction management software. I have a multi-sided perspective regarding the built environment that has served me well for seeing different sides of similar issues. Throughout my time in the industry, I have chaired steering committees for local contractor associations and currently sit on the steering committee for the National AGC CLC (Association of General Contractors Construction Leadership Council) where we focus intently on the development and growth of the different industry types. Our efforts demand a collective ability to navigate governmental, civic, and business-minded perspectives for the betterment of the communities in which they serve. Personally, my wife and I have always taken pride in our local community through volunteer work in Preservation Dallas, AIA Architectural home tours, and now in Austin through our involvement in various WP initiatives.

My background, though nuanced, has a similar thread of continuity in it that would serve me well as the Inter-Neighborhood Delegate for the WPNA. I believe our voice at the WPNA is a powerful one, a diverse one, and one that has a place in the ANC and I would be honored to serve as a representative of it.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: SCOTT ROLFE'S ART ASSEMBLAGE

Martin Luecke

Our neighbor on Glencrest since the turn of the century, Scott has been “obsessed” with searching out the old and vintage relics of the past and recycle them into art, a form called Assemblage (french inflection). It’s magical and whimsical and beautiful all at once, and full of found objects.

While studying Spanish at Connecticut College, Scott happened upon an art class for Assemblage and found he was drawn to the process of creating something from a hundred other things. He was especially fond of using older, antique items which bring a sense of history to the piece. After graduation, Scott followed a group of musician friends to Austin and never left.

Scott was working as a graphic artist for the State for many years, being in the creative world but not doing what he wanted. So in 2011 Scott decided to quit his job and be an assemblage artist full time. It’s been a team effort because girlfriend Cheri is an avid thrift store hunter, and between the two of them, they are always scouring the junk yards and yard sales. And these days he has discovered Austin Creative Reuse in the Lincoln Shopping Center. It’s a recycling store with an emphasis on arts and craft.

The word ‘obsession’ is used to describe Scott’s connection to the art. “You have to continually collect objects and always have the perfect things and it can get overwhelming, but you also have to be limited by what you have, which helps spur on that creativity. A friend gave me a bunch of piano hammers, so it opened me to a different style just having them around.”



Scott has several themes he has built art series around. One is based upon Aesop’s Fables, with a dozen pieces based on each of the fables. Scott used these pieces as illustrations for an accompanying book he published called “Aesemblage: Aesop’s Fables Recycled by Scott Rolfe.” Another of his series is jungle animals gathered together like a Rousseau painting, whimsical and bright, elephants made of old pots and pans and tin cans, a chair leg giraffe, and a bellows turtle with a light under his coffee strainer shell. I am especially fond of the antique drawer pull spirit masks. And it’s all recycled.

Because of the internet, Scott has a steady demand for his work. “I love twitter” he gushes. Most of his art is sold this way. At the moment however he is in three old school art shows, with pieces in a small gallery on Cesar Chavez at an architect firm, another in North Carolina at the gallery of an art school friend, and at his home studio. He is feeling stretched thin on pieces and worried he doesn’t have enough. It’s a good problem to have.

You can visit Scott on the EAST Austin Studio tour the weekends of November 10-11 and 17-18. See the listing of all the addresses of Windsor Park artists on the tour. If you don’t want to wait, check out Scott’s work at www.srolfe.com and [Facebook.com/scottrolfeart](https://www.facebook.com/scottrolfeart).

Please send me suggestions for stories: mwluecke@hotmail.com or call 512.536.0465

Parks Update

Jeanette Swenson

VOTE ON NOVEMBER 6. PROPOSITION C: Parks and Recreation \$149 million bond for parks will impact Windsor Park's existing Bartholomew and Pomerleau parks by funding for renovations and up-grades and on acquisition of new park open spaces in Windsor Park.

Pomerleau Pocket Park

If you missed the well-attended Public Meeting #1, the Design Committee is still seeking input and the City of Austin Parks and Recreation's link to provide input is: <http://www.austintexas.gov//department/earl-j-pomerleau-pocket-park-master-plan>

As I write, it's raining hard in Windsor Park, so Texas Conservation Corps / American Youthworks have re-scheduled their invasive removal work week for Nov. 5. The domino effect means that It's My Park Day project scheduled for November 3 will be re-scheduled. Hopefully, we will re-schedule mulching, sowing bluebonnets, clearing, and one day opening the park for late in November or early December. Also, look for Public Meeting #2 for Park Design

in early December, which will incorporate your amazing suggestions from the well-attended and creative first public meeting on September 27. Thank you, and keep your ideas coming.



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Bartholomew Park

It's My Park Day in Bartholomew Park is happening. Join us on Sat., Nov 3 from 9-12 to clear up the landscaping and mulch trees in the splashpad area and pick up trash along the creek. Sign up at austinparks.org/impd. Click on register to Volunteer. Search Bartholomew for 2 projects: Disc Golf and WPNA, Project Leader is Meg Brooks. Select and register for the one that works for you! See you at Bartholomew.

SCOUTING NEW PARKLAND IN WINDSOR PARK

It's on us..... Windsor Park will change. We can influence the path of development as it happens around us. The small amount of vacant land available in Windsor Park does not have to be developed in only one direction - infill of multifamily residences that may or may not create affordable housing in central Austin. From another perspective, preservation and/or establishment of open spaces enhance the quality of a neighborhood.

Individually, we can make a difference. We have Pomerleau Pocket Park in development because several years ago, Cesar Benevides saw a for sale sign on a 2.0 acre lot on Patton Lane. He contacted the City Council members and Council voted to purchase the land from Malena Pomerleau-Peterson, who sold the land to the city on the condition that the new park would be named to honor her father for his lifework. Two Windsor Park residents looked ahead, and we all benefit.

The Friends of Tannehill Branch creation of a tiny creekside park at Broadmoor is another example of neighborhood activism for Parks. Nadia Khan worked with Watershed Protection to enhance the area as they were working on creek stabilization. Focus on that space has led to working with Urban Bike Trails, Promiseland, and Mueller Development to propose a pedestrian bridge across Tannehill Branch Creek through Promiseland to link with the Mueller neighborhood. The Belfast Bridge and Bike Trail from Glenwood to Mueller might become a reality.

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Pilates with Katrina

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Andrews Elementary

Gabbie Soto, Principal

Andrews Elementary will be participating in their first Color Run Fundraiser to raise up to \$3,000 for a school marquee. When the students meet their goal, they will get to convert Principal Soto into a live ice cream sundae on November 2nd!

Andrews' families and community will participate in a Community Food Drive at Akins HS sponsored by Life Unlimited Church. Andrews will also be hosting their annual Turkey Bingo at the end of November. Donations for prizes, turkeys and hams are always welcome. We invite you to watch our Facebook Live,

"Coffee with the Principal" every first Thursday of each month. Follow us at: <https://www.facebook.com/AndrewsElementaryECP/>.


Blanton Elementary

Karon Smutzer

BooFest was a Spooktacular event with lots of fun for the students, parents, staff and community. We are looking forward to a very busy November that includes our celebration for Thanksgiving and, of course, Thanksgiving Break...a well-deserved rest for everyone. November dates to remember:

- November 4: Daylight Savings Time Ends, time to 'Fall Back' an hour
- November 5-9: Fall Book Fair in the school Library
- November 9: Drop-in Child Care Night- 6-10 p.m.-hosted by BASE
 - (maximum of 30 school-aged students accepted, prior registration a must)

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- November 10
 - 9 a.m.-- 'It's My School' Campus Beautification
 - 11 a.m.-6 p.m.—EAST Art Tour at Blanton
- November 15: CAC meeting—3:15 p.m.
- November 19-23: Thanksgiving Break
- November 27: DL Parent Learning Session—morning-8 a.m.—evening-5 p.m.
- November 29: PTA meeting—morning-7:40 a.m.—afternoon-3:15 p.m.
- November 30: Coffee with the Principal—8:30 a.m.

We invite the community to become a part of the events at Blanton Elementary, please check our calendar monthly for the different activities.

The Blanton After School Enrichment program (BASE) will continue to enroll students until we reach our cap of 100 students. BASE is the first self-sustaining after school program to develop in Austin as a result of being part of a 21st Century grant, we are always looking for people willing to share special activities with our after school students. For more information about BASE or Blanton Elementary please feel free to contact Ms. Karon, baseblantonpta@gmail.com

Reagan Early College High School

Julia Remington, LCSW Bilingual Social Services Specialist

- November 9- 7:30pm Varsity Football-Senior Night at Nelson Field
- November 13- 9:30am Coffee with the Principal
- November 14- 5:30pm- Stand Up for Reagan, annual community dinner
- November 19-23- No School- Thanksgiving Break
- November 29- Late start. Students start class at 10:15am.

Please come and break bread with us on November 14 for our annual community dinner. We will have a traditional Thanksgiving meal. There will be positive

conversation about how we can work together to improve Reagan ECHS. Additionally, there will be Turkey basket giveaways and games.

Are you wondering how you can support students at Reagan? Please donate your gently used clothing, shoes, accessories, and household items to the Family Resource Center. The FRC is able to turn these donations into cash that is then used to support students. For example, we've paid for school buses for field trips, student bus passes, etc. Contact Ms. Remington with questions at 512-414-6361.

Sharing with Santa

Sharon Knight, Trinity Child Development Center

Trinity Child Development Center (Trinity CDC) will host the 33rd annual Sharing with Santa fundraising event on **December 1st, 2018**. Sharing with Santa, a tradition at Trinity CDC, offers a holiday alternative for our children and their families, emphasizing giving and a sense of family and community. It also provides an opportunity for Trinity CDC to raise funds through a silent auction to continue to provide high-quality and affordable education to our children.

Trinity CDC respectfully requests your donation of gift certificate(s) or item(s) for the silent auction. All proceeds from the auction will directly support providing curriculum and programs to over 40 children ages one through five for their school readiness. The event is expected to attract over 200 families, and the silent auction has been one of the most highly anticipated activities during the event as a way for our supporters to start their holiday shopping early. All the auction donors will be recognized on signage, a newsletter, and our website, and your donated items will be attractively displayed at the silent auction.

Your support will be integral to Trinity CDC's continued work to make an impact on our children's lives and future so they can succeed regardless of their families' financial situation. All donations are greatly appreciated and are tax deductible (Tax ID: 74-1494756). If you have any questions, please contact us.

Booklice

Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist

Booklice are given their name because they are often found among books or papers. They are small, soft-bodied insects that are pale in color. Usually booklice are wingless. The head and abdomen are large, while the middle section (thorax) is narrow. Booklice have long, thread-like antennae. Nymphs, or immatures, look similar to adults but are smaller and always lack wings.

Booklice have chewing mouthparts and often feed on mold and fungi but have also been found to feed upon pollen, cereal, dead insect parts, or paste and glues in book bindings. They can be found indoors in areas such as libraries, office spaces, areas with many cardboard boxes or any other area that may contain large quantities of paper. In homes they may infest pantry items such as flour, cereals, grits or grains. They thrive in areas that are damp or have high humidity.

There are no male booklice; females produce offspring parthenogenetically (from unfertilized eggs). Females can lay up to 60 eggs during their lifetime. The life cycle—egg to adult—takes about 1-2 months (sometimes longer) depending on environmental conditions.

Tips for managing booklice:

- Lower humidity using heaters, fans, dehumidifiers
- Vacuum up any accumulated debris that collects in the structure
- Discard infested food items or freeze at 0 degrees for 7 days
- Repair plumbing leaks & eliminate standing water
- Install a vapor barrier in crawl space area (if not on slab) & make sure crawl space has a good cross-flow of air
- Seal cracks & crevices around the outside of the structure

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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Currently, a 2.5 acre tract, accessible from Sutherlin, is again being proposed again for development of multi-residential units. Previous proposed developments have not gone forward probably because the tract will not support the number of dwellings necessary for profit. Re-directing the focus from housing development to preserving public spaces can happen. Lori Whidden is contacting developers and public officials to bring the site to their attention.

So, where do you as a Windsor Park resident come in? Do you have vacant space around you that might better serve as public space? Contact the Revitalization Committee, Mohan@windsorpark.info; Parks Committee, Jeanette@windsorpark.info; and WPNA, executivecommittee.info. We can support, mobilize, advocate and influence. We may not win them all, but we will win a few and we can influence the character of Windsor Park.

FUNDING WPNA PROJECTS

Right now, at least three grants have been awarded to WPNA: Berkman Drive, Beautification Committee and Neighborhood Partnering Project; APF Design Award for Pomerleau Park Master Plan, and APF Invasives Removal at Pomerleau Park. Still pending, covering for 2 playscapes in Bartholomew Park received a boost from Northeast Austin Kiwanis Club and their dedication of Butterfly Festival funds to the playscape shades. Windsor Park residents and businesses have very generously supported projects with donated time and money. When Pomerleau has a Master Plan, WPNA will be funding amenities both through grants and individual donations for Pomerleau.

With the number of projects in the works, I'd like WPNA to consider expanding our fundraising capacity. "I Live Here - I Give Here" has successfully raised awareness and focused on increased giving to area non-profits with Amplify Austin Day, 24 hours in early March. (\$45 million over 6 years) Joining Amplify Austin, I Live Here I Give Here, would provide year-long support for fundraising. WPNA meets the criteria for a small non-profit with a budget less than \$100,000, as a registered 5013c, proof of active status, and filing of IRS required forms. If we join before November 16, membership costs \$144. According to neighborhood resident and fundraiser, Amelia Long, Amplify Austin takes about 7% in fees, but for most participating organizations, the benefits outweigh the cost. To offset the cost of participation, WPNA would

need to raise at least \$170 on Amplify Day. Is it worth it? Discussion of that question will be on the agenda for the November 10 meeting, followed by a vote to allocate \$144 to join Amplify Austin in 2019. Check out the website www.ILiveHereIGiveHere.org/for-non-profits or contact jeanette@windsorpark.info with questions and comments.

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Martin Luecke

The East Austin Studio Tour (E.A.S.T.) is once again upon us. Local artists across East Austin will open their studios to the public on the weekends of November 10-11 and 17-18, from 11 am to 6 pm. The following are just a sample of what our neighborhood has to offer:

Stop # Artist Studio Address

3. Scott Rolfe - 1305 Glencrest Assemblage
4. Gabe Langholtz - 1305 Glencrest Painting
5. Gina Butler - 1618 Ashberry Mixed Media
6. Cosmos From Chaos - 1618 Ashberry Student Art Exhibit
7. Meena Matocha - 1618 Ashberry figurative charcoal and oil artist
11. David Bjurstrom - 6827 Willamette Drawing
13. Polina Novozhenets - 6303 Hickman Ave Painting
14. Chrystal Dawn Webb - 6303 Hickman Ave Painting
- 15-40 Cement Loop - 5611 Berkman Various Artists
41. Blanton Elementary - 5408 Westminster Student Art Exhibit
42. Chaos Woods - 5335 Westminster Wooden Curiosities
103. Katy David - 2204 Palo Pinto Modern Pysanky/Batik Eggshells

Garden Guide - Autumn Exhortation

William Glenn

I work in the Nursery and Landscape Industry. In summer, every single day I spend a good deal of time telling people that the reason their tree, shrub, or vine died was because the roots hadn't had a chance to "establish" in the soil. Although spring is when our "garden gene" rambles its way to the forefront of our minds, it really isn't the best time to plant good, long-lived perennials like trees and shrubs. When we plant a nursery-grown plant in spring, there is too little time for feeder-roots to form, and sustain the newly transplanted plant through an inevitably brutal summer.

Here's the good news; not only is fall the optimal time to plant your best long lived landscape plants, but it is also a time where nurseries are looking to sell as much as they can before business slows down for the winter. That translates into great deals, clearance-events, and "buy one-get-one" type promotions in November and December. So, paradoxically, the best time to put plants in the ground is when you can get the absolute best deals at garden centers—take advantage!

If you are looking for great choices for landscape plants, look up Austin Watershed Protection's "Grow Green Landscape Guide." It is available in pdf form online, and you can get a copy at many local garden centers too. For us in Windsor Park, we want to pay special attention to the plants suited for our soil-type, known as "The Blackland Prairie." There are many more plants out there that will do well, but the plants featured in this guide are known for their exceptional ability to thrive in our area.

We're lucky to have the deep, rich soil we've got in Windsor Park; it's one of the reasons my wife and I chose to live here. Being from the desert, I am still mesmerized and awe-struck by our big trees every day. Who doesn't love the vista of towering trees flanking their street, with their limbs intermingling far overhead? We can do it, Windsor Parkers! If you want success, though, plant in fall.

You'll be amazed what can happen in a short time, if you get a sapling, plant it in fall with a little compost, and give it water for its first summer. I think we ought to aim for the most dynamic, diverse, abundant and oxygen-pumping urban forest in all of Austin! Are you in?

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OF HOMES SOLD IN (SEPT 2018) 16

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Yard of the Month – Nov 2018

Sara Jane Lee

The November winners are Ben Swofford and Henry Johns of 1418 Ridgehaven Drive. Ben is the main gardener of the household. He was inspired by watching Central Texas Gardener and by observing other yards in Austin, especially those in Windsor Park.

Ben likes a variety of plants. When he goes to a nursery, he wants to buy one of each. They have Washingtonia Palm, Mountain Laurel, Desert Willow, Pride of Barbados, Purpleheart, and Batface. Cuphia. Zexmenia, Mexican Feather Grass, Argentine, Saguaro Cactus, Green Goblet Agave, Artichoke Agave, Variated Agave Americana, Queen Victoria Agave, Lantana, Soap aloe, Pigeonberry, Gomphrena, and Blue Mistflower. They use Silver Ponyfoot as a groundcover.

Ben likes seeing humming birds, bees, and butterflies visit the yard. He especially likes the desert willow and the pride of Barbados because they attract hummingbirds and contrasting purpleheart, which smothers weeds. He also likes the sound of the palm fronds waving in the breeze.

He saves water by only watering three or four times a year. If a plant dies, he replaces it with a more drought tolerant plant. When he plants, he mixes a lot of compost into the hole. He buys small plants that are cheap and easy to plant. If they work, he buys more. If they do not succeed, he has not wasted much money.

Ben and Henry will receive a \$50.00 gift certificate from our sponsor, Shoal Creek Nursery. Please support them. When you shop there, tell them that you live in Windsor Park.

Do you like a certain yard, or yards, in the neighborhood? Tell us. We cannot visit every yard in the neighborhood every month. We may not have seen your great yard.

Feel free to nominate your own yard. People have won that way. Send your nomination(s) to WPNA YOMC, P O Box 16183, Austin, Texas 78761, call 512 928-0681, or e-mail wpna.yom@gmail.com.



November 2018 Mueller Update

Rick Krivoniak

Texas Mutual Insurance Company moved into its new headquarters at 2200 Aldrich Street in early October, bringing along around 700 employees and contractors, with room to expand to 850. TMI's annual revenue exceeds \$1 billion, making it one of the region's largest private companies. Located across Aldrich from the soon-to-open Branch Park, TMI's ground floor will also be the home of **Primrose** Daycare and Kerby Lane Café.

Those interested in visiting the coming Kerby Lane Café will need to be aware that curbside metered parking is expanding to streets near Texas Mutual. Aldrich Street businesses provide validated parking in the district garage, varying in time depending on the business. Paid on-street parking hours are Monday through Wednesday, 10AM to 8PM, and Thursday through Saturday 10AM to midnight at a rate of \$1/hour, with a three hour maximum. Sundays are free.

Come enjoy the music and family fun activities at the 13th **Annual NOEL Tower Lighting on Tuesday, December 4th**, 5:30 to 7:30 PM at John Gaines Park, bordered by Moreno, Tilley, Sorin and Vaughan Streets. (Head south on Berkman, turn east at Zach Scott, then head 1-2 blocks south on Vaughan on Tilley.) Food trucks will provide food for purchase, and some vendors will offer free coffee, cocoa and cookies while supplies.

Visit the Mueller Austin Facebook page for information on other events at Mueller, which are no long listed on MuellerAustin.com.

The Robert Mueller Municipal Airport Plan Implementation Advisory Commission will next meet at 6 PM, Tuesday November 13, 2018 at the Britton, Durst, Howard & Spence Building (Chestnut Community Center), 1183 Chestnut Avenue. The Commission does not meet in December. Visit <https://austintexas.gov/rmmapiac> to see **Commission agendas, minutes and other documents**. **RMMAPIAC agendas, minutes and other documents are available at <https://austintexas.gov/rmmapiac>**

The

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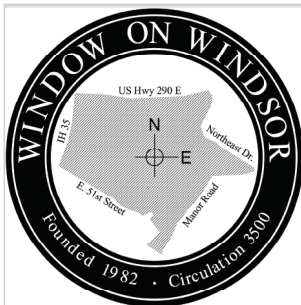
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Local Library Happenings

Windsor Park Branch

We are very excited to announce that we have heard from Sean Godfrey, from the Austin Public Library, who states:

“The official re-opening date for the Windsor Park Branch Library is 11/5/2018.

There will be a re-opening party on Friday, November 9th from 3-5pm.

CM Ora Houston will be present.

Bookmobile service to Bartholomew Park will end on 10/29/2018.”

Until that happy day, please continue to go to these wonderful branches that have provided services while the Windsor Park branch was closed, and remain available to you as part of our great public library.

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4721 Loyola Ln.

St. John Branch

7500 Blessing Ave.

