



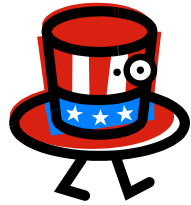
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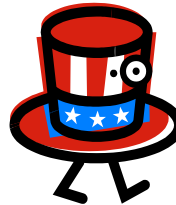
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June/July 2002

EVENTS



Fourth of July Parade



**Boys and Girls,
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bikes and/or wheels!!!**

**Come Out,
Join the Parade**

**Wednesday, July 4th
9:30 am
at the Rattan Creek
Park**

**After the parade - enjoy a
free slice of ice cold
watermelon
or 50¢ a cold soda.**



June

**Jun 6 Teen Night 8:30-10:30pm
\$2.00 Cover Charge**

**Jun 15 Movie Night, 9 pm
"Snow Dogs" - See pg 6**

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"Jaws" - See pg 6**

**Rattan Creek Pool
Jun 26 MUD Meeting, 6 pm
ECO Resources Office**

**Jun 29 YMCA Dedication
Ceremony - 5807 McNeil**

July

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9:30 am PARADE
Rattan Creek Park**

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100 Congress, Ste 1300**

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August

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Rattan Creek Pool**

Aug 20 RRISD School Starts

**Aug 21 MUD Meeting, 6 pm
100 Congress, Ste 1300**

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 Austin, Tx 78729 or e-
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Before I introduce myself, I want to thank Richard Miller for the wonderful job he has done as President of the RCNA these past few years. He has left the neighborhood association more stable, better financed, and more active than when he took it over.

For those of you who don't know me yet, my name is Eric Freeman, and I am taking over the RCNA's Presidency from Richard. I've lived on Darwin Lane since 2000 with my wife Stephanie, and my two kids Madison (6) and Jackson (3). I work as a software developer with Infoglide Software, and (in that rare thing called spare time) have been involved in the community as a Sunday school teacher, soccer coach, and swim team volunteer.

Shameless boosterism aside, I feel we have a great neighborhood that we should be very proud of. Good parks and trails, great neighbors and sense of community, stable and affordable home prices, very little crime or complaints, a great M.U.D. that takes great care of us, quality schools, and close to plenty of employers. We're in pretty good shape as a neighborhood. We don't need to dramatically turn anything around – just keep it heading in the right direction. My number one concern right now is the safety and traffic impact

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when Anderson Mill Road opens in the near future. The traffic flow along Anderson Mill is expected to be substantial, and rather fast. The safety of the intersection with Amasia and the Robinson Park playground need to be addressed before the project is completed. I will work closely with the MUD board and TXDOT to make sure this is done right.

My second concern is more long-term: ensuring the long-term quality of this neighborhood in the face of continued growth in the area. With further development, along Parmer Lane, the completion of Anderson Mill Road, and the natural maturing of this neighborhood, we have to be careful that the changes are always for the better. We've got a good neighborhood here, and the RCNA will work very hard to keep it that way.

To do that, we need your help, your ideas, and your participation. Volunteer to help out with neighborhood events. Attend a NAMUD or RCNA meeting to share your concerns. Volunteer in the various community, sports, and school groups that keep this neighborhood great. Join the RCNA (and pay your dues – hint, hint) so we can sponsor more scholarships and events. Contact me or any of the

RCNA members to share your ideas with how to improve our neighborhood.

Most importantly, feel free to contact me at any time. My job is to represent you and our neighborhood, so contact me with any concern big or small.

Drop by and say hello. As long as my son isn't trying to spray me with the garden hose or my daughter isn't trying to chase after a passing dog, I'd be glad to chat and hear what you have to say.

**Eric Freeman,
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If you know someone has just moved into the neighborhood, or just had a baby, help us to welcome the new folks and/or congratulate our neighbors on their special event. Please contact Terri Olsem at 219-7931, Or email to her at terriolsem@aol.com.

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Milwood Parent Activities

Young Toddlers (Born Sept 2000-Aug 2001): New Group! Call Kelly Buczek at 258-6482

Young Toddlers (Born Jan - Sept 2000): Meets every Tuesday at 10:00 am at Robinson Park. (Humphrey and Amasia) Call Elizabeth Pollard-Grayson at 401-0139

Young Toddlers (2 to 3 years): Call Jackie Gibbons at 257-2230.

Toddlers (3 years): Call Julie Oliver at 258-5661

Toddlers (Children with birth dates in Fall 1996 and Summer/Spring of 1997): Call Candance Kreiling at 331-9773

Multi-age Summer Group (5 years and younger): Call Dallas Hall at 257-3494.

Home schooling Group (all ages): Annette Anderson 250-5137.

*Are you interested in a group activity not listed?
There may be others interested in the same activity. Call Marcie at 335-6960 to get your name listed for a new group.*

Milwood Parents.....

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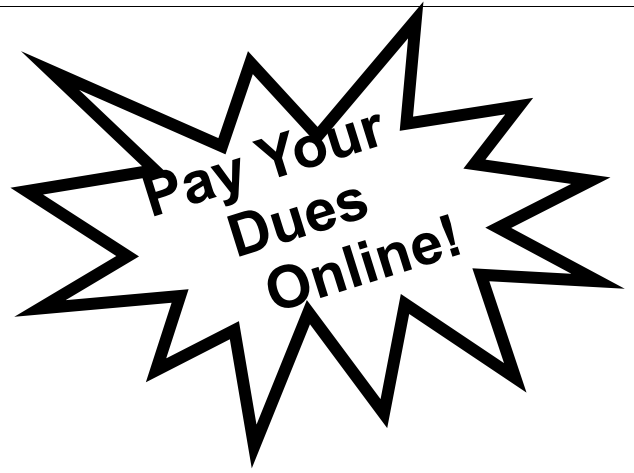
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For those who live in this area; this will be your last newsletter, if someone doesn't step forward to help us deliver to your homes.

The job entails 6 times a year delivering the newsletter to your neighbors homes in a timely fashion.

Help keep your block informed!

Contact Dallas Hall at 257-3494 to volunteer! Thank you!



You asked for it!! Here it is:

Another convenient way to pay your RCNA dues. Go to the RCNA website - www.rattancreek.org and pay your dues online through PayPal.

Remember your **\$20 (a year)** allows the RCNA to host events like the Easter Egg Hunt, "Members Only" Pool Party, Rattan Fest, and bring the newsletter to you.

Emergency Numbers:

Emergency – 911

Non-Emergency Numbers:

**Williamson County Sheriff
943-1300**

**Travis County Sheriff
473-9770**

**Williamson County Constable
248-3239**

**Jollyville Fire Dept.
258-1038**



Rattan Creek Neighborhood Association
P.O. Box 200584 – Austin, Tx 78720-0584
Annual Membership Dues – \$20
(January – December 2002)

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Address _____

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E-mail: _____

Membership: Renewal New

I would like to volunteer to assist with:

Activities Committees Newsletter

Thank You For Your
Continued Support!!



We Depend On It!!

Free Movie Nights at the Pool:

Movie Features:

June 15 – Snow Dogs
June 29 – Jaws

Bring your inner tube for kicking back and watching a movie at the pool on June 15 and June 29. The Hurricanes Swim Club will be sponsoring two Movie Nights this summer that will start at 9:00 PM, and end around 10:45 to 11:00 PM. **Admission is free for all pool members**, and snacks and cokes will be available at “less-than-movie-theater” pricing.

On Saturday, June 15, Disney’s “Snow Dogs” with Cuba Gooding, Jr., will be playing. Gooding plays a Miami Dentist who inherits a pack of Alaskan sled dogs and soon finds himself in a race against Thunder Jack (James Coburn) in order to keep from losing his dog team.

Released in 2001 this 99-minute movie is rated PG.

On Saturday, June 29 the classic Spielberg film “Jaws” with Roy Scheider and Richard Dreyfus will see if it’s “safe to go in the water”. Join Chief Brody and Matt Hopper as they hunt for the Great White shark off the Coast of Amity Island. Released in 1975 this 125 - minute movie is rated PG.

The Hurricanes are sponsoring these movie nights at the pool as a way to say “Thanks to the Rattan Creek pool members” for sharing the pool with the swim team.

kelly

HOW CAN YOU HELP MILWOOD?

Actually, it is quite easy. Milwood offers a great deal and you can help by volunteering. Without volunteers, our community would not be what it is.

We need volunteers for the following:

Teen Night: During the summer, our teens can get together at the pool and have a fun and safe time. Life guards are on duty, but we need parental involvement. We need a couple of parents to supervise teen night. It is mostly middle school children who attend. Get to know your children's friends!

Special Events: We have a variety of events during the year, from the Easter Hunt to Caroling in the park. We need people to help during these events; from taking RCNA dues to putting up fences. There are all sorts of little jobs to be done for these events.

Board Members: We always have openings for board members. Attend the meetings! It's a great way to find out what is happening in our community. *You would be surprised!*

Volunteers List: If you would like to volunteer, from a large task to a small, call. I can put you on a list. You can volunteer when it is convenient and pass when it is one of those crazy months.

Just ask yourself, "Why do I live in Milwood?" I am sure the answer is; the people, the park, the pool and the events. I know this is why Milwood has been my home for almost five years. This is also the reason I have been involved in volunteering for the past four. I love what our community offers. I know lives can become fast and furious, but a little bit of your time can go a long way for everyone in our community.

Volunteer....You will love it!!!

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POOL REGISTRATION PROCEDURE CHANGES

There have been a few changes made to the registration process for the pool and tennis court. In the past, residents could purchase multiple keys for the tennis courts. As of this year, the board of directors has decided that only **one** key may be purchased per household. In addition, only the name of the person listed on the (water) account may purchase the key.

When applying for pool badges in person (at ECO Resources, Inc.) if the person registering is not the name on the account, identification will be needed showing that that person resides at the address on the application. When applying through the mail, if there are different names (other than that on the account) of adults being registered, proof of residency will need to be sent along with the application.

Residents living outside of North Austin MUD #1 are not eligible for in-district pool badges or tennis court keys.

We hope that these new procedures will benefit all members by increasing access to these recreational facilities.

RCNA Scholarship Winners



*Congratulations
to the
Following winners:*

First Place: Lauren Calhoun
Second Place: Megha Gandhi

Lee Anne Renfrow

NEW YMCA TO OPEN

Dear Neighbors,

On May 19, I officially became the Executive Director of the new Northwest Family YMCA on McNeil Drive. I'm extremely excited by what I expect the YMCA to accomplish in Northwest Austin and by the positive influence our programs and staff can have on our children and families. My family and I also live in the Northwest Austin area, so this job is close to my heart.

The Northwest Family Branch consists of ten total acres, one huge main building, two indoor pools and an outdoor family pool, and a half mile or so of outdoor running trails. It is loaded with the most up-to-date fitness equipment currently on the market, an indoor gymnasium with a full-sized basketball court, hot tubs, a sauna, multiple community rooms and a nursery. The entire facility is infused with a great sense of excitement and activity. It's fun to belong to the YMCA and to be a part of the neighborhood, too.

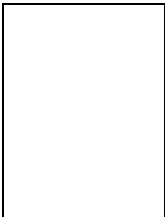
Since I began working for the YMCA of Austin in 1991, we have expanded from one facility—the downtown TownLake Branch—to seven. Built upon the success of our previous six facilities, the Northwest Family YMCA is designed to incorporate all the best aspects of the YMCA of Austin experience. Ten years of YMCA of Austin's growth, hard work and determination have culminated on ten acres off McNeil

Drive, bringing to your neighborhood the most complete and exciting family-based facility we've yet built.

I've been involved in the YMCA as a member or employee for most of my life. I am a firm believer in the YMCA's mission, and I have seen the remarkably positive influence that the Y has on people of all ages, backgrounds, religions or creeds. At the Y, we build strong kids, strong families, strong communities. There is not a doubt in my mind that this is true.

If you're interested in joining the new Y, call 335-9622, or just drop by. Our staff will be happy to give you a tour of the grounds. I also encourage all of you to visit on Saturday, June 29, for our official Dedication Ceremony. As a bonus, anyone who joins the Northwest Family YMCA prior to that Dedication Ceremony is recognized as a Charter Member and receives a discount on the joining fee as well as a Charter Member gym bag. Thank you,

Mark Olmstead
Executive Director
Northwest Family Branch YMCA



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RECIPE CORNER

Peach Cobbler

- In a small sauce pan, melt 1/4 lb margarine(1stick)
Pour into 9 inch baking pan.
 - In a mixing bowl combine:
1 cup Flour
1 cup Sugar
2 tsp. Baking Powder
 - Add 1 cup milk and stir until lumpy.
 - Then pour flour mixture over melted margarine
DO NOT MIX!!!
 - Cover with 1 large can peaches.
 - Top with 1/2 cup sugar and cinnamon.
DO NOT MIX - if you do - you blow it!
- You can substitute other fruits, fresh or canned with this recipe. Some fruits would not require the cinnamon in the topping.
- Bake at 350° for 45 to 50 minutes, use center rack of oven,
 - until the top is golden brown and bubbly.

Serve warm with ice cream on top.

Vanilla Ice Cream

- 4 eggs
- 2 1/2 Cups Sugar
- 6 Cups Milk
- 4 Cups Half & Half
- 2 TBSP Vanilla
- 1/2 tsp salt

Beat eggs until light. Add sugar gradually, beating until mixture thickens. Add remaining ingredients; mix thoroughly. Freeze in ice cream freezer.

Makes 1 gallon.

If you have a recipe you would like to share, please email it to Stephanie Doherty; thedohertys@austin.rr.com.



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- All members receiving badges must be listed, with birthdates, for the application to be considered complete. (Children under three attending the pool do not need to be listed.)
- Guest passes can only be purchased by a member of the pool. All guests must be accompanied by a pool member.
- One complimentary pass, which can be used three (3) times, is issued with each badge purchased. Two (2) passes will be issued with each annual pass. (Complimentary passes are not issued with badges purchased for replacement of a lost badge.)
- A packet of ten (10) guest passes consists of four (4) cards totaling ten (10) uses.
- A check made payable to North Austin M.U.D. #1 (NAM1) Pool must accompany the application to be processed.
- The check for the pool, tennis key and the RCNA **must be mailed separately** from the payment for the NAM1 water bill.
- Replacement fees for lost or stolen badges are as follows:
Summer / Winter Badge: \$5.00 each Annual Badge: \$10.00 each
- If purchasing a combination of summer only / winter only and annual badges, please specify for whom the annual badges are to be assigned to, as each badge can only be assigned to **one** person.
- All badges and guest passes will be mailed out and are not available for pickup, even if registering in person. (However, by registering in person you will receive a receipt that can be used for admission until you receive your badges in the mail.)
- Annual badges are good from the beginning of the summer session until the end of the winter session of the same year and not necessarily a year from the date of purchase. (i.e. valid from May 2002 to April 2003)
- Tennis court keys are good from (approximately) the first of May until the end of April of the following year. New keys will need to be purchased at this time every year.
NOTE: Only ONE key can be issued per household.
- Badges, guest passes and tennis court keys are not pro-rated at any time.
- Please make sure you are filling out the appropriate application for the badges, etc., that you are requesting. (The application should state the year and session being registered for above the listing of fees.)
- If your child will be three years of age *PRIOR to opening day* of the session being registered for, he/she WILL need a badge purchased for him/her.

**ALL INCOMPLETE OR INCORRECT APPLICATIONS WILL BE
RETURNED WITHOUT PROCESSING**

PLEASE ALLOW TWO (2) WEEKS FOR PROCESSING

RATTAN CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

NORTH AUSTIN MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 - RATTAN CREEK PARK POOL

Application to Use Recreational Facilities and Release of Liability
 PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING – INCOMPLETE APPS. WILL BE RETURNED
 Applications Due To ECO Resources, Inc., By April 12, 2002 To Guarantee Badges For Opening Day

NAMUD #1 Water Bill Account No. _____	Home Telephone Number _____
(Application will be considered incomplete without account number)	
Name: _____ (As it appears on NAM1 bill)	
Address: _____ ZIP _____	
Emergency Contact: _____ Telephone Number: _____	

I have made application for use of the District's recreational facilities on behalf of myself and the listed members of my family and our guests. I understand that the District's recreational facilities are for use of authorized persons only, and agree that all use by me, my family and our guests shall be in accordance with the District's "Rattan Creek Park Pool, Court Rules and Regulations." I agree that the District does not, by the providing of recreational facilities, assume any responsibility or liability to our guests or us. We assume all responsibility for , and waive any claim against the District for accidental injury, property damage or death arising out of the use of these facilities by any of our guests or us. We agree to indemnify and hold harmless the District, its directors, agents, employees and consultants whether paid or volunteer, from any and all claims by us or our guests which may arise out of use of the District's recreational facilities. If this application is on behalf of any minor children, the application represents that the applicant is the legal guardian of said children and fully responsible for such children, and authorized to execute this application and release on their behalf. I understand that the children, if under ten (10) years of age, must be accompanied by a person fourteen (14) years of age or older when using the District's facilities. *I further understand that I am responsible for any damage to District facilities caused by my family, my guests or myself.*

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** ____/____/____
 (Application will be considered incomplete without signature)

Household Members Attending Pool: (All members receiving badges must be listed below)
 (Badges required for ages 3 and up) Date of Birth Tag I.D. Number
 (To be filled in by NAM1)

_____	____/____/____	_____
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NO REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE TAKEN AT THE POOL.

2002 Summer Fees:	Make Checks Payable To North Austin M.U.D. #1 Pool	
Quantity		
_____ Summer In-District Badge	@ \$20 per badge	\$ _____
_____ Out-of-District Membership (Up to 4 Badges if needed)	@ \$200 per household	\$ _____
_____ Additional O.D. Badge	@ \$20 each additional badge	\$ _____
_____ Guest Passes (only w/ badges)	@ \$2 each (one time use)	\$ _____
_____ 10 Guest Passes (only w/ badges)	@ \$15	\$ _____
_____ Tennis Court Key (In District Only)	@ \$15 (ONE KEY PER HOUSEHOLD)	\$ _____
_____ RCNA Membership (In-District Only)	@ \$20 per household	\$ _____
_____ Annual In-District Badge	@ \$40 per badge	\$ _____
SUMMER 2002 BADGES & PASSES VALID THRU 09/15/02		
Check MUST accompany this registration form to be processed.	Total	\$ _____

Mail or Deliver to ECO Resources, 9511 Ranch Road 620 N., Austin, Texas 78726

Rattan Creek Park, Pool and Court Rules and Regulations

Rules are established and adopted by the North Austin Municipal Utility District #1 Board of Directors
Pool Identification tags and tennis court keys must be purchased through the District Manager
ECO Resources 9511 RR 620 N, Austin, Texas 78726-2908

Pool Rules and Regulations

Identification

1. Pool is available to District residents who have paid tag fees and their guests. Out of District memberships are available. Only individuals with tags may enter pool area.
2. Identification tags must be worn by swimmers at all times.
3. Report lost or stolen I.D. tags to the pool manager. Replacement tags can be purchased through ECO Resources for a \$5.00 fee.
4. Use of pool I.D. tags by any one other than the swimmer listed on the current year's registration form will lead to forfeiture of that I.D.

General Requirements and Conduct

1. Conduct by any person deemed to be dangerous, unwarranted, or offensive is grounds for discipline by the lifeguards. Offensive behavior in particular, will be dealt with on an individual basis and could result in suspension from the pool. Any individual suspended three times may also lose all pool privileges for the season.
2. Running, jumping, skipping, or any activity other than ordinary walking in the pool area is strictly prohibited.
3. Bicycles and skateboards must be walked in front of the pool entrance for safety. No motorized vehicles are permitted in the park. No pets are allowed in the fenced pool area. Pets must be on a leash while in the park.
4. Pool may close for five (5) minutes each hour as a safety precaution
5. Floating devices are not allowed in the pool. Water wings or swim rings for non-swimming children may be used if accompanied by parent or approved baby-sitter.
6. Glass containers of any type are not allowed inside the fenced area or in the bath house area.
7. No cutoffs or street clothes are allowed in the pool.
8. Only lifeguards are to be on the lifeguard stands.
9. No person shall talk to, shout at, or in any manner distract a lifeguard while on the lifeguard stand except in the case of an emergency.
10. Only masks approved by the Pool Manager will be allowed in the pool.
11. One lane will normally be designated for lap swimming at all times, additional lanes may be added at the discretion of the Pool Manager.
12. No smoking or alcoholic beverages are allowed in the fenced pool area.

Adult Supervision

1. Children under ten (10) years of age must be accompanied by a parent/guardian or authorized baby-sitter at all times while inside the fenced pool area, unless approved by Pool Manager.
2. Parents are required to provide written authorization naming a specific approved baby-sitter to attend their children under 10 years old at the pool. The baby-sitter must be fourteen (14) years of age or older and be a pool member or have a valid guest pass.

Guest Policy

1. Guest(s) must be accompanied by a registered pool member and submit a valid guest pass for admission. Pool members must accept responsibility for their guests.
2. Guest(s) must register with the gate keeper upon admission to the pool facility and sign a waiver of liability.

Private Parties

1. Adults eighteen (18) years and older holding a pool I.D. may make reservations to use the pool for a private party when the pool is not open for regular operating hours. All parties must terminate (all participants departing the facility) by 11:30 p.m.
2. Reservations must be made at least four (4) days in advance with the Pool Manager. Reservations are confirmed by a \$50.00 deposit. A reservation is not confirmed until the Pool Manager receives the deposit. The cost for rental of the pool is \$10.00 per hour

plus lifeguard fees.

3. Persons responsible for any parties must hire lifeguards. Lifeguards must be those guards that are under contract with the District.
4. Any damages resulting from a private party will be the responsibility of the lessee.

Wading Pool

1. Children taller than a height set by the Pool Manager will not be allowed in the wading pool.
2. Lifeguards will not monitor the wading pool. Children in the wading pool must have a parent or baby-sitter present at all times.

Pool Hours (as posted at the pool)

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Weekday hours are 11 a. m. to 9 p.m. Saturday hours are 11 a. m. to 9 p. m.; and Sunday hours are 12 Noon to 9 p. m..

WINTER SCHEDULE

Weekday hours are 12 noon to 1 pm and 4:30 to 8:00 pm. Saturday Sunday and Holidays 12:00 to 8 pm. Winter Maintenance closing will be posted at the pool.

General Information

1. At the discretion of the Pool Manager and as approved by the District Manager, certain periods of the normal open hours may be set aside for specialized activities such as, adults only swim, swim lessons, swim meets, and other special events.
2. Hours may be shortened before and after school starts, and during swim team season. Check the Pool Bulletin Board for scheduled events and scheduling changes.

Tennis/Sports Court Rules and Regulations


(In District Members Only)

1. No dangerous or offensive conduct will be allowed on the courts.
2. No pets, bicycles, skateboards, or motorized vehicles allowed on the courts
3. No alcoholic beverages are allowed inside the fenced court area.
4. No glass containers are allowed inside the fenced court areas.
5. A playing time limit of one hour (60 minutes) will be observed when other members are waiting to use the facilities.
6. Tennis courts one and two are subject to reservation by tennis leagues, not to exceed five (5) hours a week as posted at the courts.
7. A member may have a maximum of four (4) guests at a time on the sports courts.
8. At the discretion of the District Manager, certain specialized activities on the courts may be arranged.
9. A maximum of (4) players are allowed per tennis court at any time.
10. Soccer tennis is strictly prohibited.

Questions or Problems

Contact the Pool Manager or
Bill Burke at 331-7066.

North Austin Municipal Utility District No. 1 Rattan Creek Pool Summer Schedule 2002

	<p>NOTES:</p> <p>See other pages for Membership Application for Pool Use.</p> <p>Tags MUST be purchased by mail or in person at:</p> <p>ECO Resources NAMUD No.1 Pool Tags 9511 Ranch Road 620 North Austin, Texas 78726</p>

Keep Plants Alive, Not Thriving

Fast Forward---Because of the heavy rains in May, our plants have been growing fast and look great. However, the bad news is that we must shift our thinking ahead to what an Austin summer yard and lawn needs. So...set your mower as high as possible, mow whenever it needs trimming by 1/3, do not fertilize again until late August, and water deeply whenever you can see your footprints in the grass after 1/2 hour.

Unless it rains 1 inch of water every week on your yard, you **NEED** to water your yard and planting beds to keep the plants alive, (not thriving) through the heat of June, July and August. Watch for wilting and then water in early morning for as long as it takes to get water running off. Wait 20 minutes and water again until runoff. This saturates the soil and produces deep roots. Wait until you see sign of water stress before watering again.

New grass requires more water while the roots are growing so water often enough to dampen the soil to just deeper than the root level. With new seed or sod in full sun, this may be several times per day during a drought with blistering sun and drying wind. Slowly spread out the watering times

until October and then just water occasionally for the first winter.

Mature lawns can be watered weekly or less often when the roots are well established and the grass is dense and tall enough to shade the roots.

Do not fertilize grass now, with a high nitrogen fertilizer, it will cause rapid top growth requiring more water. From August to October, spread 1/2 inch of Dillo dirt or other compost to encourage deep turf and roots.

When watering, give all plants a long, deep soaking to encourage a deep root system. To find out how long your watering system takes to output 1 inch of water, put out opened cans around the water sprinklers to measure the length of time it takes to accumulate 1" of water. This time tells you how long to run the sprinklers. Although, if water runs off before this time is up, move to watering another area for an hour or so and return to sprinkle the area again to complete the full time. The amount of water required by full sun or by shaded areas is greatly different so watch for the wilting and then adjust the length of watering time for each area.

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The best time to water is in the early morning which allows the leaves time to dry before the sun scorches them. It also lessens the possibility of fungus that is encouraged by humidity and darkness. Slowly stretch the time between waterings out to once every 5 or 7 days and you will have healthier plants, save water, and comply with the water conservation guidelines.

Keep a 4" depth of mulch on the planting beds and around large shrubs and trees to discourage weed growth, help hold in the moisture, and keep the soil and plant roots cooler.

Other tips for summer:

If your grass leaves have turned yellow, spread chelated iron or iron sulfate.

Raise the lawnmower blades as high as you can get them now. Mow often enough so that only 1/3 of the grass blades are cut off. Tall grass develops a deeper, more water efficient root system.

Remove old flower heads from all annuals and perennials. This is commonly called dead heading and encourages new blooms.

Cut the seed heads off the crape myrtles after they finish blooming in late July to encourage another round of flowers.

Be sparing with fertilizer on native plants as they tend to grow rampant and do not bloom as well when over fed.

Do not fertilize grass now, it will just grow fast and require more water and mowing.

Spray crape myrtles with Cloud Cover or another anti-transpirant to prevent powdery mildew. If the mildew is already present, spray with Benomyl mildew control. Fungus can be controlled with an application of copper and liquid seaweed, 1 tablespoon to a gallon of water sprayed on the leaves. Mealy bugs are controlled with Safer Insecticidal Soap sprayed three times at 7 day intervals. This also controls aphids, thrips, scale, whitefly, spider mites, and earwigs.

Thrips leave white fluffy deposits on twigs and the thrips look much like the deposits. They are more of a problem in hot dry weather.

Use sun screen and wear a hat to protect your skin from ultraviolet rays which cause sunburn, premature aging and cancer.

Mow and Mulch: Sharpen your mower and raise it to the highest setting. Mulch the lawn by returning the clippings back on the grass.

Mulching reduces the need for fertilizer and water

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and inhibits weed growth. Any sharp mower can mulch if your mowing pattern causes clippings to be recut a second time if needed. For the last 14 years I have been mulching grass back into the yard. I spread Dillo dirt or fertilize lightly in May and October, and use no pesticides except Logic in spring and fall and Orthene for spot treatment for the fire ants. The yard looked the best it ever had in '97 when the fall and spring rain made the difference. We are lucky again this year.

Newly planted plants in beds, need extra watering for the first 2 years. Water before stress shows or you may kill the plants and this is false economy. For new plants; 1st week- water every day; 1st month-water 3 times per week. For the following spring through fall-2 times per week; during winter-once per week or as needed.

The goal is to encourage root growth away from the plant so use a leaky hose for watering and cover the soil with 4 inches of mulch to develop healthy plants which will make it through the summer, winter, and look great next year.

Trees in stress: show as trees which are receding (not growing leaves to the tips of the branches this year) or with brown leaf tips. Construction damages tree roots by compacting the

soil, or scraping off the topsoil, or by putting fill dirt over the roots. Death occurs from 1 to 3 years later. In general to save trees in stress, since the roots are not working well, we must give more water and must get fertilizer to the roots that are left. Put a leaky hose 2/3 the way out the drip line (or farther away for an established tree) and turn on ¼ turn to slowly let it run for 6 to 8 hours every 10 days (in July and August every 7 days). Water and fertilizer must reach the roots 6 to 8 inches down, and must reach all roots. Tree spikes and top dressing with fertilizer probably is wasted money, (too little area is covered and fertilizer only works when the tree is rapidly growing.) (For live oaks, this is the 140 days February to May).

All our trees need to be protected from lawn mowers and weed eaters and need their roots to be cool and slowly fed. The method recommended by TexaScapes and TreeFolks is to build up a 3 inch deep mulch bed or tree ring. Make it like a donut at least 3 foot wider than the trunk of the tree (this is one of the times when much larger is much better). Use any organic mulch, pine bark, compost, or composted soil mixture like Back to Earth (BTE) composted cotton seed hulls.

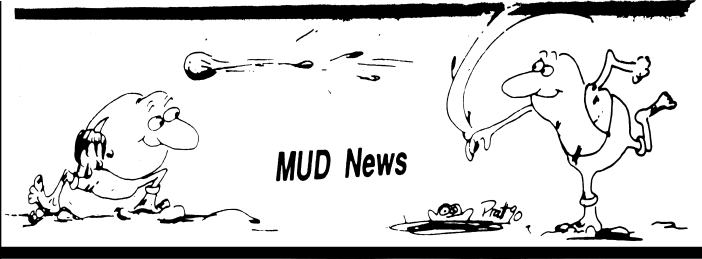
Summer flowers will take extra care in

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mulching in and watering until they get roots established. A foliar application sprayed on the leaves with a weak fertilizer or liquid sea weed and fish emulsion mixture will encourage blooming and plant growth. As always, the native plants like the Salvia Greggii, verbena, and lantana need very little fertilizer, can take the heat, will bloom until mid fall, and are perennials and will come back up again next year.

Happy Gardening,
Chuck Simms



**North Austin Municipal Utility District #1
Board of Directors Report on Commercial
Development, Parks, and Pool Activities:**

The MUD Board election of Directors was cancelled due to no applications filed opposing the existing Directors Donald C. Conklin and Alan McNeil.

The Board received citizen communications at the April Board meetings from RCNA president Richard Miller about covenants and restrictions violations. Chuck Simms met with the RCNA at their April meeting to clarify the situation.

Our contractor for C&R inspections The Treasure of the Hills Senior Citizens Community Center, Inc. activity for March – then April included:

New complaints received 1 – 5; Calls for advice 0 – 2; First letters sent 4 – 7; Second letters sent ; 2-2; Violations sent to MUD attorney 1 – 0; Cases closed (violations corrected) 4 – 4

Rattan Creek Park Pool: The entire electrical system has been reworked by a new contractor, we now have an accurate wiring diagram of all the system. The lighting for the playscape is working as are the 3 motion-detecting security lights. In May, the Board approved replacement of all the 48 pole light bulbs and ballasts as needed. Wind screening was installed on the south side fencing to reduce wind-carried dust and litter into the pool.

The life-guards are fully staffed and certified, mostly from our neighborhood. The spring school swimming parties and the Hurricane Swim Team meets and practices are scheduled also. The

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schedule in late May was adjusted to accommodate the triathlete representatives who came to the May Board meeting. Time was worked in for their training schedules for the early June triathlon.

Rattan Creek Park: The picnic tables, trash can lids, and BBQ pits were painted and the storm drain ditches cleaned. The water fountains are being repaired with the addition of freeze drains to minimize freezing damage. Davey Tree will be trimming some trees overhanging tennis courts #1 & 2.

Rattan Creek Trail: Over 36 yards of decomposed granite was added and rolled to compact it. The poison ivy near the exercise area #13 by the Greybull and Kerville Folkway access area will be sprayed. Please remember that there is poison ivy in both parks when you get off of the trails.

Annual Spring Cleanup: The yard waste mulch was collected and placed under the trees in the parks. The rain hampered the solid waste collection a bit but in all it went well.

The Board held a worksession in Robinson park: on April 22, 2002, to walk the park and identify projects for the improvement of the park and trail. The Board also walked the new Lake Creek

greenbelt (on the other side of Anderson Mill Road) which will be deeded to the MUD in the next few months. We are determining the boundaries of this greenbelt and identifying what we must do, and what we may want to do to it in future months.

The Robinson Park Trail projects: The trail construction project was completed per the specification on the grant by Williamson County.!!! Additional grading work will probably be needed after we see what can be done to minimize flood damage. This process has worked well for the Rattan Creek Trail where we typically now have minimum flooding damage now after building berms and placing large boulders to divert fast flowing water away from the trail surface. During the late April worksession meeting the Board identified many projects which were approved at the May Board meeting. The sides of the trail will be cleared to 8' on each side and the removed cedar trees used with our stockpile of trees to make a two-rail fence between the play-scape and Amasia Drive and Anderson Mill Road.

The decomposed granite trail will be extended from the Humphrey entrance bridge to the sand

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volley ball court and the pipe border repaired. The large drain pipe near the bridge on Anderson Mill Road will have the rocks and debris removed and a concrete trickle channel made to facilitate maintenance of that area.

The Gypsy Oak area will be cleared of brush and poison ivy and the split rail fence repaired after the construction of Anderson Mill Road. The story goes that some years ago nomadic groups of Gypsies camped under the large Live Oak tree in the South West corner of Robinson Park near Anderson Mill Road. The water table in the whole West side of the park is very close to the ground level and a hand-dug well or spring there provided water for the travelers.

Rattan Creek tree planting: *No Change* is being planned upstream of the Tamayo Bridge on the North side of Rattan Creek near the earth berms made during the last cleaning of the creek channel downstream of the Bridge. Williamson County will plant 800 trees along this bank as part of their revegetation requirement of the Army Corps of Engineers from the Lake creek Channelization project. We also may get a lot of hardwood and cedar mulch to add to both parks under the trees.

Landscape Projects: The Board approved the spring color plantings at the Rattan Park, Tamayo Dr. and Amarillo Ave. entrances and approved the mulching around the trees in the entrances and parks. The water-deposited trash was removed from the greenbelts and natural areas.

Wastewater Lines Inspection; The required 5year inspection is about 1/3 completed. Some minor cracks have been found on Debarr Drive and Marble Falls Cove and have been repaired . The City of Austin will begin soon to fulfill their commitment to us to do 25,000 linear feet of TV inspection video tape work.

The Reserve at Rattan Creek: *No Change.* (Alexan Rattan Creek) apartment project on Parmer Lane at Dallas continues to work with the District Engineer and District Manager on the fire control water system changes to reduce MUD cost and liability.

The JPI Apartment Development: : *No Change* Jefferson Center is finishing construction along Parmer Lane and is open for leasing of both commercial and retail space, and for apartment rental.

The Williamson County Lake Creek Channel

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Sidewalk Sunday School
in Rattan Creek Park

2002 Schedule
May & June
 August 17 - October
 December 14 (Dec 21st Rain date)
Christmas in the Park
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Improvement Project: *No change* that is upstream of the Palmer Lane bridge continues. The project will continue to be the responsibility of Williamson County at no cost to the MUD.

The Amber Oaks Corporate Center phase VI: *No change* They submitted the plans for the last 2 commercial buildings to be constructed providing 269,589 square feet of office buildings to be located along RM 620. Our District Engineer is reviewing the plans and assures us that their requirements do not exceed the capacity of the water and waste water system. Construction should be starting in the next few months.

Indian Oaks Neighborhood: *No change*

A NAMUD #1 Recreation Center building: *No change*, The location will be discussed in the next 2 months and at the Board Worksession. The problem we have is that all of the MUD-owned land is in the 100 year floodplain except for the area of Rattan Creek Park down to past the Pool and the trail. In Robinson Park the only areas out of the flood plain are on Humphrey Dr. at the parking lot entrance and the 2 lots on the corner of Amasia Drive.

Any facility we build will need parking spaces per City of Austin codes and to minimize impact on the neighbors. We need some creative ideas for location. We met with the Jollyville fire department who said that the City of Austin does want future use of the proposed fire station site on East Dallas Drive near the Tudor Time Day Care.

Keith Collins and Chuck Simms are the Board committee and we are looking for suggestions so go to the NAMUD#1 web site to e-mail your thoughts to us, or give us a call.

Chuck Simms, Secretary,
NAMUD #1 Board of Directors.

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I would also like to put in a special thank you to those who came out to help the day of the event. Without the help of these individuals, I would have been in great trouble. Although we had numerous people donate candy, only a few came out to help the day of the event. I am very grateful to each and every person who helped.

*Thank you Cissy Rodriguez, April and John Bliss, Timmy, Keith Abbot and members of North Hills Community Church. And a special thank you to my sister Tammy Watson and good friend Michelle Livingston, who are **not members** of our community, but have volunteered in one way or another for the past four years.*

*We owe a great deal to these volunteers. Without **one** of them, I would have been understaffed. Next year, there will be an Easter Committee again. Come and join us, volunteer for the event. It is a lot of fun. We have a lot of help by kids that are too old to participate in the event, but want to help.*

VOLUNTEERS and DONATIONS:

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Thank you Diana George, who calls every year to pick up the eggs and take them to the girl scouts. These girls have stuffed over 4000 of our eggs every year for the past four years!!! THANKS!!!

Brownie Troop:

Summer Thompson, Hailey Drisco, Nattily Mica, Emily McArthur

Thank you Lynn Drisco for setting up the Brownie Troop to stuff eggs this year.

Once again, thank you to everyone for making this a wonderful year again. I will see all of you next year. And don't forget to join our Special Events Committee. There are some fun and wonderful people in the neighborhood. And this would be a wonderful way to meet them.

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