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Around Milwood

RCNA Board Elections Anyone interested in getting more involved should come on *Thursday, October 18, at 7pm*, Rattan Creek Park pavilion, nearest the playscape. Several positions are open this year. We need your help! In case of bad weather, a sign will be posted as to the indoor location of the meeting.

Neighborhood Watch meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of each month **6:30 – 8:00 P.M.** at the Claremont Retirement Center (**12463 Los Indios Trail**).

Neighborhood Garage Sale November 3 from 8:00am-1:00pm, or whenever you choose to close up. Here is a great chance to sell your stuff. This ad usually draws a great number of buyers to the neighborhood! *See back page for more information.*

Neighborhood Cleanup - will be CURBSIDE this year! Mark your calendars for Sat, November 10! Have your stuff at the curb before 7:30 am. *See back page for more information.*

Attention Tennis Players: The tennis courts will be re-keyed November 1st for the Winter tennis season. You must sign up for the winter season to be able to use the courts. *See page 14 for the application form.*

North Austin MUD 1 2007 Tax Rates and Service Rate Changes:

The tax rate has been set for 2007 for North Austin MUD 1. *For more information, please see page 12.*

EVENTS

October

- Oct 3 Neighborhood Watch
6:30pm at Claremont Retirement
- Oct 17 **MUD meeting**, 6pm
9511 RR 620 North
- Oct 18 **RCNA Meeting**, 7pm
Pavilion by Playscape
- Oct 18-20 **McNeil HS Follies**
7pm at McNeil PAC
- Oct 27 Jollyville Fall Carnival
11 am - 3 pm
- Oct 31 Halloween

November

- Nov 1 Tennis Court locks change
- Nov 3 **Neighborhood wide Garage Sale**
- Nov 3 Pond Springs Fall Festival
11 am - 3 pm
- Nov 4 Time Change - "Fall Back"
- Nov 7 Neighborhood Watch
6:30pm at Claremont Retirement
- Nov 10 **Fall Curbside Clean-up**
- Nov 11 Veterans Day
- Nov 15 **RCNA Meeting**, 7pm
check website for location
- Nov 22 Thanksgiving Day
- Nov 28 **MUD meeting**, 6pm
9511 RR 620 North

December

- Dec 5 Chanukah
- Dec 5 Neighborhood Watch
- Dec 16 Caroling in the Park, 6pm
- Dec 19 **MUD meeting**, 6pm
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- Dec 20 **RCNA Meeting**, 7pm
check website for location
- Dec 25 Christmas

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Page 2 JoRJones@yahoo.com

Architectural Control Committee Information:

Any submissions for ACC approval will need to be sent to:

RCNA-ACC

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For more information, please see inside on page 26.

Or contact Chuck Simms for more specific information needed via email: RCNAACCVS@aol.com.

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- You will need your legal description (ie. lot, block, and section of Milwood), so you get the correct set of deed restrictions for your section.

Block Captain Needed for Newsletter Delivery:

We need a Block Captain for the following streets:

Moorcroft (11)

Block Captains deliver newsletters 6 times a year to homes on their street. If your street is one of the ones mentioned above, you will not receive newsletters until someone steps forward to deliver to your block. Extra Newsletters are available at the sign at the Rattan Creek Park. *Numbers in () is the number of houses.*

We need Section Head for:

Napier area (10) and Modena area (9).

Section heads are the start to our delivery process. They must be willing to work quickly to get the newsletters out to the block captains. They receive the newsletters in bulk and break down the count and deliver to the number of block captains in their area. The number of deliveries are in the ().

Thank you to Amy Moyle for volunteering.

If you would like to volunteer as a Block captain or Section head, please contact Jennifer or Dave at 257-3380.

President's Notes

Howdy Rattan Creek neighbors and friends. Well, the summer is over, the kids are back in school, and Halloween is coming soon. My son Peter is really looking forward to being Superman. We got him his costume and he has insisted on wearing the cape ever since.

Our **first big National Night Out**, by the RCNA, went great! We had a large turnout of the neighborhood. The Jollyville Fire Department came, as well as the Williamson County EMS and of course the Sheriff's Department. People got a chance to meet their neighbors, as well as the for mentioned emergency services. In September we didn't have our Rattan Fest, but did do our annual 5K Run. I didn't have as low of a time as I would have liked, but at least I got out there. I invite everyone for next year, even if our not a runner, 3.1 miles in the morning is a nice walk and good family fun. Lisa Birkman your County Commissioner came by to cheer on neighbors at the finish line. I want to thank Angie and the entire Brown family. The Brown family made our run possible, if not for volunteers like them, our neighborhood wouldn't be the outstanding place it is to live.

On the subject of **volunteering**, we have a solid SMALL core group. We have your dedicated board and committee members. Next we have a FEW others that help out at our different events and make them possible, thank you. We really could use YOUR help.

The RCNA is going strong! Membership is up, in fact around 20% from this time last year. That being said there is lots of room for improvement. We have around 500 members of the 2,700 households where our newsletter is distributed. Just \$25 dollars goes such a long way. We added the National Night out and once our new community center is built, all of our events will be back, bigger and stronger than ever. All of this just doesn't happen; it takes a LITTLE time and effort. In November, we will have our elections for new board members. If you ever thought about attending a meeting, October would be a good time to attend. If you come, then you could see where help is needed and perhaps jump in at the November elections.

In November, I will not be seeking

re-election as President. If needed, I'll answer the call to serve for another board member position. As well, as assist with the process of becoming a "Not for Profit Corporation". It has been my pleasure to serve you and I will continue to answer the call and serve the Rattan Creek Neighborhood.

High School Seniors, remember that you will need 8 hours of Community Service helping the RCNA, this year to be eligible for the RCNA scholarship. As a volunteer organization, we depend on everyone's support. There are so many things you can do to help. Please contact one of the Board members or come to a meeting to see what you can do to help.

**Watch Out for the Kids
on Halloween!!**

Be safe,
John Lenz, President RCNA

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New Neighbors and Babies:

New Neighbors:

Please help us welcome the following new neighbors to Milwood! If you live near them, stop by and welcome them to our neighborhood!



Louis, Jennifer and Luke (2 years old) Svoboda
7806 Jenner Cove

New Babies

**No New Babies
have been reported.**



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 Kathleen Edwards at 350-2649, Or email to her at austinredkat@yahoo.com



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Milwood Parent Activities

Looking for a playgroup for your little ones? Here are a couple to chose from:

- **Bunco Anyone?** New group forming. Contact Christy Traywick at cwtraywick@hotmail.com or 219-9372 for more details.
- New playgroup for babies/toddlers born between September 2005 – August 2006. Contact Debbie Waller at 215-2878 or dwall75@yahoo.com.
- Playgroup for babies (and their Moms) with birth dates from around July/August 2003 to 2004: Call Lori Poppe at 258-1952 or e-mail at loripoppe@yahoo.com.
- Playgroup for children with birth dates in Fall 1996 and Spring/Summer of 1997: Call Candance Kreiling at 331-9773
- Stroller-walking group. We meet at the Rattan Creek Park on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:30. If you are interested, call Dallas at 257-3494
- Arbor Homeschool Group: Weekly playdays, monthly field trips and various other activities. All ages welcome! Contact Toni McKinley at 250-0496 or e-mail at tmckinley1@yahoo.com for places and times we meet.
- Do you work out of your home? If you are self-employed or otherwise office out of your Milwood house, how would you like a little company? We can get together over coffee once a month or so and keep up with what's going on in the world. Please call Susan Morrow at 257-2737 or e-mail me at smorrow@wordsarewe.com

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Planting Time and Early Winter Care

October: Plant trees now that it is cooler and they will be well rooted for next year's growth. Remember that the deciduous trees which lose their leaves in the winter are for the sunny south and west sides of the house. They will save you summer cooling costs and will gain heat from the sun in the winter. Some yard-sized trees are the Chinese Pistache, Mexican Buckeye, Texas Redbud, Burr Oak (large leaves and very tall tree), and the Cedar and Chinese Elms. And of course the larger varieties of the Crape Myrtle (ask about the mildew-resistant varieties and now you can see the blooms and select the right color).

Some smaller trees are the Possom Haw Holly which has bright red berries during the winter until the birds eat them off. The American Beauty berry bush is an over grown bush , reaching 10 feet high and wide which has white berries in the summer which turn bright purple in fall. They ferment so the birds love to get a bit tipsy when they gobble them up. The Golden Raintree has clusters of yellow flowers which turn into clusters of seed pods and the Desert Willow has white or lavender

orchid-like blooms. All these trees can be in full sun or partial shade and will beautify your yard for many years.

Where you want leaves all year around for shade and a wind break there are the Live Oak, the Eldacara Pine, and a wonderful smaller tree called the Texas Mountain Laurel which has beautiful purple flowers in the spring that smell like bubble gum. Water this tree a bit less than the others, it does not like wet roots, so let it dry out between waterings.

Trees will grow fast if you plant them in shallow wide holes with no peat moss and a little (25%) composted soil amendment to get them started. You need to build up a ring of dirt several inches high and several feet across around the trees to provide a water well to contain the water. When the water wells are mulch covered to keep the roots cool you will get very fast growth of all of these trees. Small 1 gallon to 5 gallon size trees are best because they will grow faster in your soil than in a pot in a nursery. They must be watered well (10

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gallons per tree well) periodically (depending on the heat) for the first 2 years. For fast growth, his deep watering every other week for the first 1-1/2 year will give them a strong start with a broad root system. After that an occasional soaking will keep them healthy.

Just watering the grass around trees is not enough water to soak in deeply to the tree roots and build strong trees. There are many large beautiful trees in our neighborhood which decline each year and eventually start losing branches because the roots have been covered by many inches of dirt and even concrete house slabs, sidewalks, and driveways. The way to save these trees is to put soaker hoses over all remaining roots and soak for several hours every 2 weeks year around. This deep watering saved a beautiful tree shading our and the neighbors house, so water really is necessary and can save root-damaged trees.

The time to fertilize for fall and winter root growth is September through late October. You will get more and better growth next year by fall

fertilization rather than in the Spring. Use some fertilizer (organic or not) with high nitrogen as indicated by a 3-1-2 ratio. It is good to use fast release fertilizers which usually are cheaper because after the first frost, growth will slow down and any fertilizer which has not been absorbed yet will be wasted and will pollute the streams and the environment. Be sure to read the label directions on the bag and apply at or a bit below the recommended rate. Fertilize the grass and your flower beds, and double the application under the drip line of trees and then water in very well. The fertilizer only works on roots so water it in once and then come back and water it in again until water runs off. Now you can relax and enjoy your yard for the winter - while raking the live oak leaves of course. .

Your yard may be maturing like mine with the trees providing too much shade. This requires some major reworking of the design now that the trees are providing deep shade and the bushes are overgrown. I had a tree company remove all the tree branches that could rub on the roof or on the

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- ◊ Nutrition Talks – October 9, November 13 & December 11

Employment Needs:


- ◊ Youth Program Leaders
- ◊ Swim Instructors & Certified Lifeguards

★ Events ★

<p>Halloween Spooktacular Saturday, October 27, 5:30-8:00 pm Costume Contest, Food, Games, Fun Open to the Public</p>	<p>Family Fun Night November Float your boat Pirate night make hats / boats</p>
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house. We also removed some lower branches to let some sun in so the plants would bloom. Have limbs cut off at the trunk or as far back as possible to lengthen the time between pruning. This is called a class 2 pruning in the trade and is what we have done for the trees in the Rattan Creek Park. Trimming like this every 5-7 years to raise the lower branches of the canopy will allow some sun in so flowers and grass will grow much better. Such is life, successful landscaping brings more work.

Enjoy gardening with your kids (or the neighbors' kids) because teaching them to plan for the future and watching trees and plants grow is good for all of us.

Early Winter Lawn Care in November: The good news is that nothing really needs to be done to our lawns until spring. Guilt we imported from some other state may have us raking leaves, fertilizing, mowing, scalping, etc. You really do not have to do all that work.

Lawn Maintenance for Established grasses in

our winters includes mowing a bit shorter with the clippings left on to decompose and feed the grass. Do NOT scalp any lawn grasses, *this is a bad habit carried over from other parts of the country and it will damage Austin lawns.* Since our best months to fertilize are March and October the established grasses are going dormant now and it is probably best to wait until March to fertilize.

If we have a hot week or so with strong drying winds, water the grass to help it survive. It will better survive freezing weather also if it is wet. Throughout the winter, study the grass carefully before and then after watering and then wait to water until it shows some signs of drought stress. The signs of drought stress are: A dull purplish cast to the lawn. Tracks show up in the lawn after someone walks across it Leaf blades begin to roll or fold together.

Watering before dawn for a short time, which allows drying in the morning and minimizes fungus problems during the cool winter months.

Raking and Removing Leaves continues to be

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required only for the tough live oak leaves. Most of the other leaves can be left in place mulched with your mower and will just decompose and add some organic matter in the soil.

Lawn maintenance for new yards usually means do not fertilize until it has been mowed at least 5 times. This allows the roots to get established before the fertilizer forces leaf growth at the expense of the strong root growth that is the goal. The exceptions are winter seeded grasses like rye and fescue and new sod, which can be fed a slow release fertilizer. Look for those with ratios such as 3-1-2, 12-4-8, or 15-5-3. Avoid the weed-and-feed products because they stop grass seed germination and can cause irreparable damage to tree roots. Take the time to calculate the square footage of your lawn, since most fertilizer applications are calculated that way. Then use half the recommended rate for the winter application.

New seeded grass will require watering to keep the seed moist, but not saturated during this initial growth time. During hot windy days, you may have

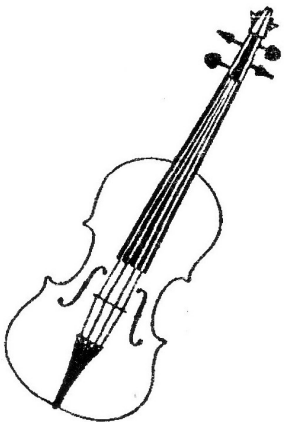
to water 4 to 5 times per day until germination. If young plants are allowed to dry out, they will die. After about 2 weeks the root system should be established and the watering frequency can be reduced to every 5 days for a month or so. Then water as an established yard.

New sod should not be deprived of water because drying causes shrinking between sod squares. Until the time when a corner of a section of sod can no longer be easily lifted, the soil beneath the sod needs to be kept moist. It is imperative to use the sprinkler lightly and often during this period. When the grass looks green and begins to stand up, it is rooted and you can cut back on watering to every 3 days (except when it rains) for at least 2 weeks. Then you can begin the 5-day watering cycle. If you have an irrigation system shorten the on-timing as needed and set the timer for watering in the early morning hours before dawn. If we have an exceptionally cold or hot winter, increase watering to help the grass survive.

Winter Color from annuals planted in pots in the sun include Pansies, Johnny jump-ups, Stock,

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Alyssum and Chrysanthemums, which come in many colors.

* For part shade areas, plant English primrose. Perennials include the begonias that do well in pots in part sun and survive our winters without protection except in very hard freezes

* In full sun areas the swordlike foliage of the bearded iris or the Cemetery Iris are Xeriscape plants which make good ground cover in sunny areas with minimum water. Prepare the bed by digging in 6 inches deep 2 inches of compost. If your soil is heavy, dig in some masonry or green sand. Plant the rhizomes on the surface of the soil and use mulch sparingly because they tend to rot if too wet. They grow best if thinned out every 3-4 years in late fall. You can start new beds and share the extra rhizomes with neighbors. Daylilies grow well in the same conditions as the iris except they need to be planted 3-4 inches deep and covered with 3-4 inches of mulch.

Winter growing plants include the Texas Gold columbine that is a hybrid from the native columbines. The light green leaves grow all winter and they will have shooting star yellow flowers on

stalks from 2 to 3 feet high from early March through the fall if you prune out the dead stems periodically. They grow best under deciduous trees like cedar elms or high crowned live oak trees as they like some direct sunshine for better flowering. The Texas Gold columbine is a weak perennial so you can expect to lose a few plants each winter. They do re seed well if you have good soil with 2-3 inches of compost and not too much mulch under them. In any case buying a couple of plants to fill in the holes is a pleasant spring task.

Attractive shrubs include the possemhaw holly that loses its leaves in the winter leaving the attractive red berries. Nandinas have red berries and attractive fern like foliage the year around and show the most color when planted in full sun. While Nandinas are not native plants but they do naturalize to our soil and climate very well and require very little extra watering once they are established.

Build some hardscape for more use of your outdoors areas like adding a sidewalk or patio in places where the grass died due to foot traffic or too much sun or shade. There are many kinds of paving stones and

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- 1 tablespoon butter, softened
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- 1 egg
- 1 cup all purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon allspice
- 3/4 cup boiling water, or as needed**

DIRECTIONS


1. In a medium bowl, mix the butter, molasses and egg with an electric mixer until smooth. In a separate bowl, stir together the flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, ginger, cinnamon and cloves. Stir the dry ingredients into the molasses mixture alternating with the water, beginning and ending with the flour, stir just until blended.
2. Preheat the waffle iron, and coat with cooking spray. Spoon the desired amount of batter onto the hot iron, and cook until steam stops coming out, and waffles don't stick to the iron. Continue with remaining batter.

Tortellini Soup with Sausage

- 1 (9 ounce) package refrigerated cheese tortellini
- 1 (10 ounce) package frozen chopped spinach, thawed and squeezed dry
- 1 pound ground sausage
- 1 (10.75 ounce) can condensed cream of chicken soup
- 1 can sliced olives
- 2 8oz. cans Basil, garlic, & oregano flavored tomato sauce
- 1 tablespoon Italian seasoning
- 1/2 tablespoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- salt and pepper to taste

Brown sausage in a pan and drain off fat. In a large sauce pan combine all the ingredients and cook until heated through and bubbling. Stir frequently to keep from burning the bottom. Serve with a loaf of French bread and enjoy!

If you would like to submit a recipe for the RCNA Recipe corner, please send it to Natasha Randall at arandall5@austin.rr.com.



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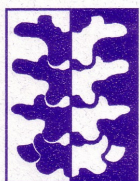
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Neighborhood Watch

Hello Rattan Creek,

Well, we had a relatively quiet summer thankfully. There were a few problems, but no long standing issues that were reported. That's mainly due to our neighbors diligently calling in issues and getting them dealt with combined with some really dedicated deputies. Remember, if you suspect trouble and just want to get something suspicious checked out, call the Williamson County non-emergency number 943-1389 and let the deputies investigate. If you witness criminal activity or an emergency, call 911.

Break in: I've heard of a few false alarms, but no actual break-ins have been reported recently.

Traffic: Kids are back in school and we need to look out for them. Watch out for bike riders and children making their way to and from school. We had a DWI that turned into a fair amount of property damage over on Green River. Someone had called in a suspicious vehicle and a deputy had already been dispatched when the accident occurred. Someone was keeping their eyes open. Keep up the good work.

Noisy Neighbors: Having trouble with some noisy neighbors? Whether it's a party or garage band, noise intruding into your house especially as it gets later in the evening, is not something you have to put up with. Call the non-emergency number and ask for a call back

if you can. Keep track of when you called and what the outcome was. If things don't change and you've kept track, send an email to us at watch@rattancreek.org and we will see what we can do to escalate the situation. The deputies are here to help but they need to have the problem documented first.

Issues in the parks: The parks have been busy, but no incidents have been reported. It's always nice to see the parks being enjoyed and not abused. If you should have issues with people breaking park rules call it in. If it looks serious, call 911, if you just want a deputy to check something out or defuse a situation call the non-emergency number 943-1389. Most of us have cell phones. Don't be afraid to use them.

Curfews: If you see people in the park after 10:00 P.M. or teens running around the neighborhood after midnight Monday – Friday or 1 A.M. Saturday – Sunday, call it in. Better a curfew violation now than something more serious later.

We had a great National Night Out in August and added a few neighbors to our watch list. Keep your eyes open and your phones handy. The best way to prevent crime is to give law enforcement the information they need to do their job.

Mike Hall
Neighborhood Watch Coordinator



Dr. Kyleen Chen
Dr. Samir Gupta

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 an appointment**

North Austin MUD 1 Sets 2007 Tax Rate and Service Fees

Tax Rate:

The 2007 Certified Tax Values have been set for NAMUD1 as \$671,511,403.

The NAMUD 1 has set the 2007 Tax Rate as \$0.418 per \$100 tax valuation.

Service Fees:

The new 2007 Base Service Fee has been set at \$24.00. The base service fee includes the first 1,000 gallons of water and wastewater, as well as the garbage collection.

Water rate for each additional 1,000 gallon will be \$2.96.

Wastewater rate will be \$4.95 per 1,000 gallon. The rate change goes into effect as of October 1, 2007, which means we will see the new rate beginning on our November bills.

Other information:

Winter Wastewater Averaging will begin mid-November to mid-February. Please watch your bills for exact dates. See page 23 for more information.

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blocks available at the home and garden stores. In this climate we only need a couple of inches of nice clean masonry under the pavers and a hard edge to keep them in place. You will need dig down and put the sand in to lay the pavers.

Before starting paving, check the slope by using a line level or run some water or watch the rainfall on the area to be paved. Be sure to slope the pavers away from the house so the water drains away and does not make a low spot for puddles to collect mud, leaves and be hard to clean up. Any extra dirt can be placed into other low areas of your yard where water stands or you can build a raised bed with the soil.

Happy gardening,

Chuck Simms,

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**Round Rock's McNeil
High School Choir
Annual Choir Follies
October 18, 19, 20
"Music From the Movies"**

Come out and support the McNeil High School Choir. Also performing will be the Deer Park and Cedar Valley Middle Schools.

**Performances at 7 p.m.
Round Rock ISD Performing Arts Center
(PAC), 5800 McNeil Drive next to the
McNeil H.S. campus.**

*Tickets are \$8 at the door.
Refreshments and gifts for the performers
will be available for sale.*

"This performance is very important to the Choir because this fundraising performance helps to pay for scholarships, equipment repairs, supplies, and recognition awards. It's a great showcase for the talented students" said Tricia Russell, Choir Director.

For more information the McNeil High School Choir, go to <http://www.mcneilchoir.org/>

Yard of the Month: 7900 Snook Hook Trail



This month's winner of the 'Yard of the Month' are Bill & Linda Brown. The Brown's have lived on Snook Hook Trail for the past 10 years. They both enjoy caring for their yard and planting new flowers as the seasons change.

If you walk down Kingman, and turn onto Snook Hook, you'll catch a glimpse of Steve - the brightly painted pink pig on the side of the front yard. Steve welcomes the kids to come over and see him.



If you would like to nominate one of your neighbors for Yard of the Month, send an e-mail to Angelia Moore at amoore@advsol.com.



**Attention
Fall/Winter
Tennis Players:**

**Tennis court locks
will be changed on
Nov. 1, 2007**

You must purchase a new key
for the Fall 2007/Winter 2008
tennis season.

See Application on Page 14

**Pond Springs Elementary
Fall Festival**

Saturday, November 3rd 11AM-3PM

The entire community is welcome to join us for food and fun! Enjoy delicious tacos, sausage wraps, and rootbeer floats! Test your dancing skills at the Dance-Mania booth! Jump in a Moonwalk! Take a chance at the Lollipop Tree and the Cake Wheel! Pet a baby horse at the Petting Zoo! Lots to eat! Lots to do! Amazing raffle baskets! Come have a FUNtastic time! Don't miss it!



Tickets will be sold at the door.
7825 Elkhorn Mountain Trail
For more information call
Jessie Haug, 335-3334

RATTAN CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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

Application to Use Recreational Facilities and Release of Liability

**PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING – INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED
APPLICATION FOR 2007 WINTER SESSION**

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

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)	
If you are applying for a tennis key/membership, YOU MUST SUPPLY AN EMAIL ADDRESS IN ORDER TO BE ESTABLISHED IN THE ONLINE RESERVATION SYSTEM. Please PRINT CLEARLY below:	
<small>(See tennis rules for more info)</small>	
email address: _____	

Household Members Attending Pool: All members receiving badges must be listed below. (Badges required for ages 3 and up)

<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>
_____	____/____/____	_____	____/____/____
_____	____/____/____	_____	____/____/____
_____	____/____/____	_____	____/____/____
_____	____/____/____	_____	____/____/____

REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO ECO RESOURCES

Make Checks Payable To North Austin M.U.D. #1 Pool Check MUST accompany this registration form to be processed		
CHECK MUST BE SEPARATE FROM WATER BILL PAYMENT – DO NOT MAIL APPLICATION W/ WATER BILL		
2007 Winter Fees:	ALL ITEMS PURCHASED ARE NON-REFUNDABLE	
Quantity		
_____ Winter IN-DISTRICT Badge (Sept 17-Nov 30)	NO CHARGE	
<small>(SUMMER IN-DISTRICT BADGE WILL BE ACCEPTED DURING THIS PERIOD. If you were not a Summer Member, please list all household members who will be attending the pool and obtain tags at the pool after application is processed.)</small>		
_____ Tennis Court Key (In-District Only)	@ \$25 (ONE KEY PER HOUSEHOLD)	\$ _____
<small>(KEY IS ONLY VALID THROUGH APRIL 2008. KEYS WILL BE MAILED WEEKLY.)</small>		
_____ RCNA Membership (In-District Only)	@ \$25 per household	\$ _____
<small>(RCNA Fee Covers Jan-Dec Membership Year)</small>		
Total		\$ _____
***** POOL SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE *****		

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

North Austin Municipal Utility District No. 1
Rattan Creek Pool Temporary Fall Schedule 2007



Attention:

**Rattan Creek Pool
will be Open Swim for
All Residents of
North Austin MUD 1
until construction of the
Community Center and
Pool Bath House begins.**

**You will be required to
submit an application form,
to receive a Pool card
for access, if you do not
already have one from the
summer swim season.**

**During the reconstruction
of the community center
and pool bath house,
the pool will have
to be closed for
liability reasons.**

**Please bear with us
during the
construction phase.**

**Pool Scheduled to be open
through November 30, 2007**

M, W, F: Open Swim: Noon - 1:30 PM

Mon-Fri: 4:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Saturday: Noon to 8:00 PM

Sunday: Noon to 8:00 PM

Closed Thanksgiving Day

Watch the pool
and
www.Northaustinmud1.org
for more details on possible
extended summer season.

NOTES:

See other pages for Membership
Application for Pool Use.

Applications MUST be submitted to:

ECO Resources
NAM1 Pool Tags
9511 Ranch Road 620 North
Austin, Texas 78726

**Pool Manager : Mandy Paul
257-8175**

**Clearwater Management
Phone - 331-7066**

***Rattan Creek Pool is Managed
by Clearwater Management***

Phone - 331-7066

ALL HOURS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. TO VERIFY HOURS, CALL 257-8175 (POOL).

RATTAN CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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 \$10.00 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 pets are allowed in the fenced pool area.
4. Pool may close for ten (10) 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.
13. Coaching activities, other than by parent/guardian, are prohibited except as provided by Pool Manager, McNeil High School or the Hurricane Swim Team.
14. Parents must be within arms reach of non-swimming children at all times.

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.
3. Parents must be within arms reach of non-swimming children at all times.

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.

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 Court Rules:(In District Members Only)

Tennis Court Hours 7:00 am – 10:00 pm.

1. By entering the court for play, you are acknowledging that you have read and agree to abide by these rules.
2. Tennis courts for tennis play only. No Soccer tennis.
3. No glass containers or alcoholic beverages permitted on the courts.
4. No pets, bicycles, skateboards, or motorized vehicles allowed on courts.
5. No dangerous or offensive conduct or offensive language will be allowed.
6. Proper tennis attire must be worn at all times. Shirts will be required at all times.
7. No tennis lessons allowed after 6:00 pm weekdays or anytime on weekends.
8. Gate should be closed and locked at all times.
9. A maximum of (4) players are allowed per tennis court at any time.
10. Application and fee for court keys MUST be paid at ECO Resources (separate from water bill). Keys are not available for pick up. Keys will be mailed weekly. Only one key per household will be issued. Absolutely no applications or fees will be taken at pool.
11. All household members using the courts will need to obtain a tag at the pool. Members should keep tags with them at all times when playing. Members can be required to show tags at anytime.
12. All tennis court reservations will be made by registered tennis members through the online tennis reservation system. Tennis court reservations may be made one week at a time, and not more than 7 days in advance.
13. A maximum of 2 hours per reservation and one reservation per member per day, with a maximum of 4 reservations per week, may be made through the online tennis reservation system. Court reservations can be made up to 7 days in advance of play. Once you have scheduled 4 reservations, the scheduler will not allow you to make another until 7 days from the day you made your first reservation.
14. Reservations must be made at least 1 day in advance of playing in order to be guaranteed. If open times are available then walk on play is permitted.
15. Members have 15 minutes to make their reservation before the court will be declared open.
16. Walk-on players are not guaranteed continued court availability, if a person shows up with proof of their reserved time, but not 15 minutes late, the walk-on players must give up the court immediately to the reserved party.
17. A member may have maximum of 3 guests at one time on the court. A member must be present on court with their guests.
18. Special tennis activities such as league play and park tennis socials will be scheduled through ECO Resources. Scheduling for these events will not be available online.

*** An email address is mandatory to be established with the online reservation system. All reservations will be scheduled by registered members.**

Absolutely, NO reservations will be made by phone.

Rattan Creek Park is a private park and the tennis courts of Rattan Creek Park are for the use of residents of North Austin MUD #1 and their guests. The resident must be present at all times when court is in use.

Violators are subject to removal, privileges revoked and possible prosecution.

By order of North Austin MUD #1.

All rules will be enforced by general manager of the district or his designee. District Manager:

ECO Resources 335-7580

Sport Court Rules:

Court Hours: 7:00 AM – 10:00 PM

No glass containers.

1. No alcoholic beverages inside court area.
2. No pets, bicycles, skateboards, skates or motorized vehicles are allowed on the courts.
4. No dangerous or offensive conduct or offensive language will be allowed.
5. Time limit of 60 minutes is observed when others are waiting.

The resident must be present at all times when the court is in use.

Rules For Use of District’s Parks /Greenbelts

- 1) Curfew for the District’s Parks and Greenbelts shall be 10:00pm to 6:00am, other than pavilions, sports courts and tennis courts, which shall have a curfew of 10:00pm to 7:00am.
- 2) No destructive activities shall be permitted in the District’s Parks. The discharge of firearms, pellet guns, air soft guns, paint ball guns, bows and arrows, sling shots and other hazardous items shall be prohibited.
- 3) Golfing within the District’s Parks and Greenbelts shall be prohibited.
- 4) Disorderly conduct and offensive language shall not be permitted in the District’s Parks and Greenbelts.
- 5) Motor driven vehicles and equipment are not allowed in the District’s Parks and Greenbelts, except as authorized by the District.
- 6) Children under the age of eighteen shall not be permitted to smoke within the District’s Parks and Greenbelts.
- 7) No glass containers shall be permitted in the District’s Parks and Greenbelts.
- 8) No alcoholic beverages shall be permitted in the District’s Parks and Greenbelts without prior District approval
- 9) All pets must be on leash and under the physical control and restraint by their owners at all times in all parks and greenbelts. Droppings must be removed by the owner.
- 10) No amplified music will be permitted in the District’s Parks and Greenbelts without specific, prior Board authorization.
- 11) The District reserves the right to change or impose additional restrictions on use as situation warrants.



North Austin Municipal Utility District #1 Board of Directors notes on the March 2007 Board meeting on Commercial Development, Parks, and Pool activities: *Note that the Board reviewed and approved minutes of meetings are available on the NAMUD#1 web site listed below.*

Our contractor for inspections of restrictive Covenant Violations: The PBF Covenant Management, LLC reported on August 28, 2007:

New complaints received (10), Calls for advice (10), First letters sent (10), Number of cover letters to rental owners: (3), Second letters sent (11), Repeat letters sent (0), Violations sent to MUD attorney (0), Number of cases closed (violations corrected) (30).

The RCNA Architectural Control Committee activities are described in another section.

Rattan Creek Park Pool: The pool is scheduled to be open at normal school season hours. One pool water heater has been repaired and is ready for use when needed.

Other pool activities: -- The McNeil H.S. swim team used our pool for pre swim meets. They are patiently waiting for our pool building to be rebuilt so they can return to our pool for practice sessions.

Revised Rules Reminder: The Board approved revised more stringent and clear rules for the Parks, Pool Areas, Tennis Courts, and the Sports Court to help our District Staff and the Williamson County Sheriff's Department enforce the rules. Please review these rules, and follow them, they are being closely enforced for the safety and enjoyment of all District residents.

Rattan Creek Park Community Center Rebuilding: Meetings and the approvals process continues. The fall plan is to keep the pool open until end of November or until notice. We will not have a full winter swim season and will start construction as soon as possible after City of

Austin approvals. Many thanks to Directors Keith Collins and Jo Jones for their many extra hours work on this project.

Greenbelts and parks and soccer fields: The park lawn areas were sprayed for weeds as needed, and the mowing and irrigation schedules are set for the fall season. The greenbelt creek bottom mowing has been delayed by high water in the aquifer, producing standing water in many areas.

Landscape Specialties of Texas removed the silt and cleaned all storm drain outlets in the greenbelt areas. The silt has been placed as needed in the greenbelts for flood control.

Booster Station Pressure Pumps: The pump projects are proceeding, with construction almost completed in the two locations (East Dallas Dr. between the Tudor Times and Dental office) and (Tamayo Drive North at Parmer Lane), both on NAMUD#1 property. The skid mounted variable speed pressure pump units are in place and connected to the safety valves and the water system. The electrical panels are in place. Pressure and leak testing will be done and the new piping will be purged and sanitized. They should be in operation in early October resulting in a pressure increase of at least an additional 15 psi. The installation of site paving, security fencing and site restoration will follow.

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Deed Restriction Violations:

- Be sure to include the address in question, nature of your concern and your name and address.
- Deed restriction violations must be submitted in writing to:

PBF Covenant Management, L.L.C.
202 Walton Way, Suite 192
Box 142
Cedar Park, TX 78613-7046

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Sewer System T.V. Inspection: The videos showed numerous non urgent problem areas and the repair costs are being estimated, and repairs scheduled.

New Construction in Amber Oaks Corporate Center: Another 3 buildings encompassing 270,000 sq. ft. are being built along Amberglenn Boulevard on 22.9 acres. Good news for us, as this means more property tax income to help pay our NAMUD#1 total property taxes.

The budget for 2007 was approved by the Board. Some of the more significant changes are:

Property Tax Rate Decreased to \$0.418.

The contract for recycling and solid waste disposal with Round Rock Refuse was approved with cost of living adjustments. Some of these changes are listed below:

- The cost increase will be included in our Monthly Billing Statement. Our Basic Service fee will be \$24.00 per month.
- Trash pickup schedules will be unchanged with the North half picked up on Mondays, and South half picked up on Thursdays.

- Spring and Fall clean ups will be change to be curbside pickup for large items on a Saturday. This means no dumpsters in the greenbelt on Tamayo. Just put your items on the curb and items will be picked up there. But you must have the items out before 7:30am on the chosen Saturday.
- Chipping of tree limbs, brush and wood will be done as in the past, on cleanup weekends.

Note that these are unofficial notes about the Board activities. After Board approval at the next meeting the official minutes of the meetings are posted on the web site.


Chuck Simms, Assistant Secretary, 331-9630
NAMUD #1 Board of Directors.

Website: www.northaustinmud1.org

Note that the Board approved the change for restrictive covenant violations. Complaints should be sent to :

**PBF Covenant Management, L.L.C.
202 Walton Way, Ste 192, Box 142
Cedar Park, Tx 78613-7046.**

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	csimms@northaustinmud1.org	

Website: www.northaustinmud1.org

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Ambulance 9 - 1 - 1

Fire: Jollyville Fire Department
Emergency 9 - 1 - 1
 Administrative 258-1038

Sheriff: Emergency 9 - 1 - 1
 Williamson County
 Non-Emergency 943-1300
 Travis County
 Non-Emergency 974-0845

Crime Stoppers 1-800-253-STOP

County Commissioner
 Williamson, Precinct 1
 Lisa Birkman 733-5380
 Travis, Precinct 2 854-9222

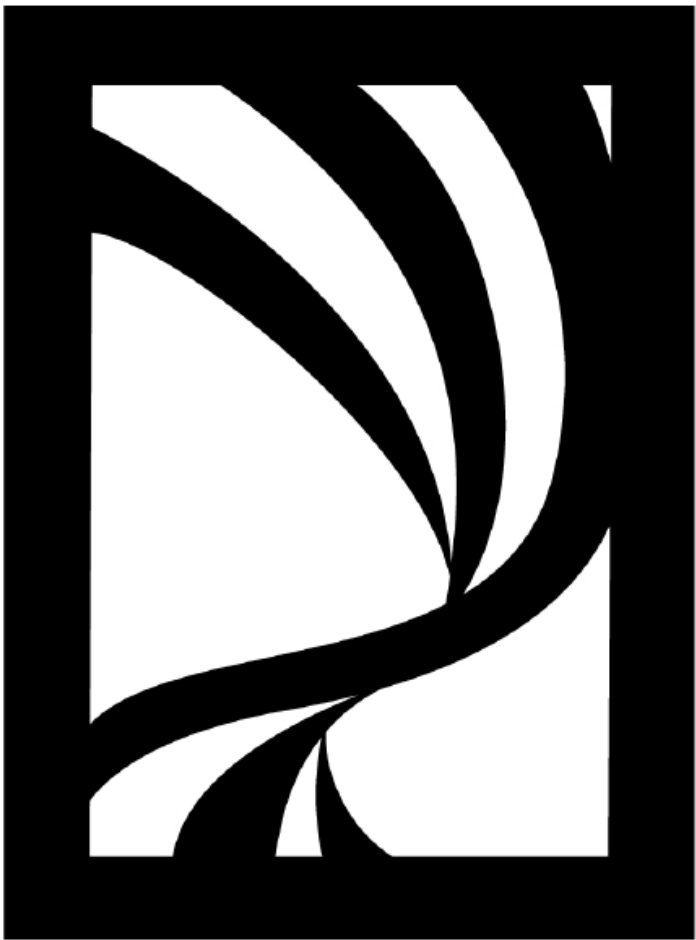
Dept of Homeland Security 1-800-BEREDDY

Poison Control 1-800-POISON 1
 (1-800-764-7661)

Mail: Balcones Post Office
 11900 Jollyville Rd. 331-9802

Schools: RRISD 464-5000
 Elementary:
 Jollyville 428-2200
 Pond Spring 464-4200
 Live Oak 428-3800
 Middle School:
 Deer Park 464-6600
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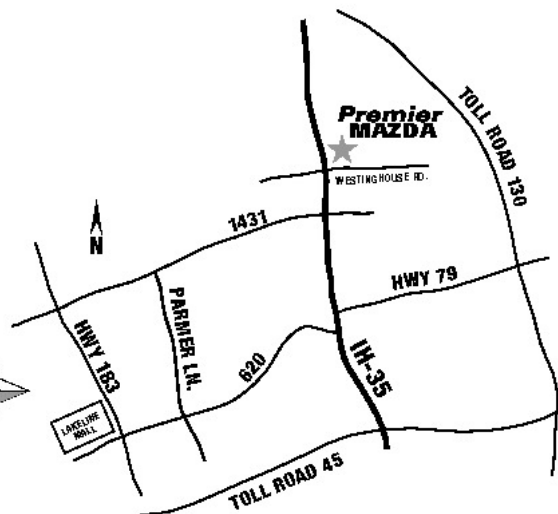
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Life is Grand in Williamson County!

By Williamson County Commissioner Lisa Birkman

This is an exciting time to live and work in Williamson County! I am pleased to announce we will soon have the grand opening of several facilities built or improved to better serve the public. The first one will be **Champion Park**, which is located about a mile or so east of the intersection of Parmer Lane and Brushy Creek Road. (From Rattan Creek, head north on Parmer, go past RM 620/SH 45, go past the RRISD stadium and several traffic lights. Take a right at the light on Brushy Creek Road. Proceed about one mile and take a right into the park. It should take you approximately 10-15 minutes.)

The grand opening of the park will be on Saturday, October 20th. We will have a ribbon cutting at 10 a.m. featuring our special guest, US Congressman John R. Carter, followed by free food, fun and activities for all ages until 2 p.m. The park is about 35 acres and is situated on a beautiful piece of property along Brushy Creek and the Regional Trail. The park features include a large pavilion, a children's splash / misting area, walking trails, a large meadow / wildflower area, a fishing area and a bridge that connects to Avery Ranch. The most unique feature will be the dinosaur discovery area, where large casts of actual dinosaur bones from the Texas Memorial Museum in Austin will be embedded in a children's play area, so that kids of all ages can "dig up" the bones

and discover Texas history! Continuing with the Texas history theme, the park also contains the gravesites of some members of the Champion family, including John Champion, a former Williamson County Sheriff. The park is named in honor of the Champions, who lived and worked on the land for many years. We hope you and your family will come out to the grand opening and also use the park for many years to come.

We are also almost done with the Williamson County Lake Creek Trail, which will basically connect Parmer Lane to Broadmeade going through the Town and Country Optimist ballfields. Due to the recent rains, the completion date of this project has been delayed somewhat but we hope to have it completed this fall.

I would also like to invite all of you to come visit with me and my staff at our office during our annual **Fall Office Open House**. This year it will be held on **Tuesday, Oct. 16th from 5 to 7 p.m.** at my office, located at 400 W. Main Ave., Ste. 216 in Round Rock.

If you have any questions or would like further information on this or any other county issue, please feel free to contact me at lbirkman@wilco.org or 733-5380 or visit the county's web site, www.wilcogov.org.

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Winter Waste Water Averaging Dates

Mid-November - Mid-February

Actual dates will be printed on the water bills and on the NAMUD1 website: www.namud1.org.

The District's Rate Order states that bills for sewer service shall be computed (1) on the basis of the average amount of water used by the customer during the winter season based upon the average of the monthly readings of the customer's water meter for the preceding December, January and February billing periods or (2) on the basis of the customer's current monthly water bill, whichever is less.

If a residential customer does not have a history of water usage during the preceding December, January and February billing periods, the customer's monthly sewer bill shall be calculated based upon (1) the customer's current monthly water usage or (2) on the basis of 10,000 gallons water usage per month, whichever is less.

Winter months are used to calculate the sewer

averaging because historically customers use less water this time of year.

If the averaging months are unusually warm, and the majority of residents use larger than normal amounts of water the Board may elect to drop the highest month's usage.

Any resident filling a pool during the averaging months will be allowed to subtract the water used from the usage of the month the water was used. Requests for this must be made in writing to Gary Spoons, c/o North Austin Municipal Utility District No. 1, P.O. Box 2647, Cedar Park, TX 78630-2647.

Any resident with a houseline leak during the averaging months may request a reduction in sewer usage. This also must be in writing and have documentation as to the leak and work accomplished to repair the problem.

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1. Legal description of property
2. Description of work to be performed
3. Drawing of work to be performed
4. Description of materials to be used
5. Copy of survey (to insure proposed changes will not encroach in any recorded easements)

Once submitted, the ACC has 30 days to respond with approval, denial or request additional information.

RCNA-ACC Action Report 07/31/07 to 09/23/07:
Inquiries for information: 8

Projects submitted for ACC Review:

- #3 Backyard play equipment: 0 inquiry.
- #4 Deck and Arbor: 2 inquiry, 1 Approved
- #5 Fences, replacement and relocation: 2 inquiries
- #6 Remodeling / Additions: 0 inquiry, 0 submitted for review, 0 approved
- #7 Storage Sheds: 0 inquiries
- #8 Swimming Pools: 1 inquiry, 1 submitted for review, 1 approved

Chuck Simms,
RCNA Architectural Control Committee Chair
e-mail: RCNAACCVS@aol.com

Architectural Control Committee Information:

The ACC function handled by the builder/ developer for years has been turned over the RCNA.

Any submissions for ACC approval will need to be sent to: **Note the Change in Address!**

RCNA –ACC
13359 N Hwy 183, Ste B-406 PMB # 237
Austin, TX 78750

(PAK MAIL business is behind the Texas Roadhouse, in the strip mall at the corner of Anderson Mill Road and Hwy 183 access road.)

Or contact Chuck Simms for more information needed via email: RCNAACCVS@aol.com .

If you need copies of your Deed Restrictions:

You may contact Armbrust & Brown (Attorney for the North Austin MUD #1) at 435-2300.

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Saturday, November 3

7:00 am - you choose to close

• The RCNA runs ads for a neighborhood wide Garage Sale (Saturday Only), giving the boundaries of our neighborhood and the time of the neighborhood wide garage sale.

No Rain Date is given for this event!

• The RCNA has a few signs to get folks into the neighborhood, but from there it is up to you to bring the folks to your home.

• Each person has the garage sale at their own home, or with a neighbor who is planning to have one. If you want to do one, but do not want to do it alone, talk to your neighbors!

Fall Curbside Clean-up

Saturday, November 10

7:30am until 3:00pm.

Please place your items out at your curb before 7:30 am, Saturday Nov 10.

The trucks will collect items from your home throughout the day.



As with the previous clean ups, hazardous items will NOT be collected, including:

- Tires, batteries, oil, paint, or combustible or flammable items.
- Refrigerators, or window units anything with Freon.
- If you want your limbs and brush to be collected at curbside—you will need to bundle them in bundles no longer than 4 foot in length and not bigger than 2 feet in diameter

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you can take your limbs and brush to the Chipper Site below on the same weekend!



Fall Mulching Only at Tamayo Bridge

Saturday, Nov 10 & Sunday, Nov 11

8:00 am until 3pm each day

The mulching site will still be at the Tamayo Bridge location.

However, the following changes will be implemented:

Residents must be prepared to show their water bills to identify them as a resident of the MUD.

These activities are for residents of North Austin MUD 1 only!

No commercial vendors will be allowed.

Anyone deemed to be a commercial company using the mulching area, MUST have the resident's water bill for the property they are dropping off for.