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# newsletter

Serving Milwood at North Austin MUD #1 since 1983

## 13th Annual RCNA Easter Egg Hunt

**Saturday, April 19th | Rattan Creek Park**

- 8:30-10:30am Pancake Breakfast
- 9:30am Wobble Area Opens
- 10:15am Easter Parade Begins
- 10:30am Egg Hunt Begins For Ages 7-10
- 10:45am Egg Hunt Begins For Ages 4-6



The pancake breakfast supports local Boy Scout Troop 164. A plate of pancakes and sausage is \$3. Coffee, OJ, milk, or water is \$1. Additionally, the Girl Scouts and some local businesses will be present, making it a day to be enjoyed by all! **Donations of individually wrapped candies are always needed for the egg hunt—we need them by Saturday, April 12th.** Volunteers are also needed the evening before and the day of the event. It is a great way for high school seniors to get in some community service hours for the RCNA scholarship. If you are interested in dropping off donations or helping out, please contact Kelly Siegler via [KellyHSiegler@gmail.com](mailto:KellyHSiegler@gmail.com) or give her a call at 512-667-4214.

April Events	April Pool Operating Hours*
April 14 MUD Meeting, 6pm (Private) April 16 MUD Meeting, 6pm (Public) April 19 RCNA Easter Egg Hunt April 20 Easter Sunday April 23 RCNA Meeting, 7pm April 30 Tennis Court Locks Change	M, W, F Noon-1:30pm & 4:30-8pm Sat 11am-8pm Sun Noon-8pm (Closed Easter Sunday)  *Check page 19 for swim team practice/meet dates & times.

## We Have A New Editor!

This year marks the start of a couple new things when it comes to your RCNA newsletter! First of all, the reins have been lovingly handed over from our long-serving and diligent newsletter editor Jo Jones to me, your spunky resident Jamie True. If you have a child at Deerpark or that was over at Jollyville a couple years ago, my name should be familiar to you. I have been responsible for managing PTA websites and sending emails to parents for years. I've even done three stints as a yearbook advisor, so I come well qualified. I'm a native Austinite and mother of two that works fulltime in IT (yep, I'm a nerd), so obviously this is a labor of love for me if I think I can carve out time to do this newsletter. :-)

The second new thing for this newsletter is a slightly different look and feel. I hope you enjoy the addition of whole page of candid photos on page 14 and the spotlight on new local businesses on pages 5, 19, and 20. A full-color version will be available for those of you that prefer reading stuff online. I know change is hard for some people, but don't worry, all the important info you depend on will still be in every issue.



Jamie True

If there is something you would like to see in a future issue, or you would like to help out in some way, do not hesitate to send an email to [rattancreeknewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:rattancreeknewsletter@gmail.com). I really and True-ly look forward to hearing from you!

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**Send any mail to the following address:**

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**6th  
Annual  
Benefit**



**Saturday, May 3rd**

The **"TRAIL OF HONOR"** DEDICATION at the CPL. CHAD OLIGSCHLAEGER VETERANS MEMORIAL BENCH in Rattan Creek Park **starts at 11am.** It is being held prior to the ANNUAL CPL. CHAD O.'s BENEFIT over at LEANDER VFW POST 10427.

Orders for engraved bricks will continue ONLINE at [www.cutinstone.biz](http://www.cutinstone.biz) or visit us at [www.cplchado.org](http://www.cplchado.org).

**QUESTIONS:**

Call "The Keeper of the Bench" at 512-350-5191!



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## Why Do We Have a Veterans Memorial Bench in Rattan Creek Park?!

Chad Oligschlaeger was a Rattan Creek kid. He went to Jollyville Elementary, Deerpark Middle School and McNeil High School and after graduation went on to join the Marines. After two tours in Iraq back in 2005-2006, he came back home a “hidden wounded warrior”. Just a short while after he returned, at just age 21, this once proud Marine died near his bed from a military drug-induced overdose, alone on the floor.

His parents started a Foundation that wants to see that this doesn't happen to anyone else's friend or family member...to help heal those suffering from PTSD and their families. Their goal is to change the stigma

associated with PTSD in the military and the protocol as to how it is treated. Surprisingly enough, this is a largely unknown problem to the civilian population, even though 22 veterans on average take their own lives EACH DAY, mostly from untreated PTSD. They seek to help the soldiers that left a part of themselves back on that battlefield, hence the motto for their foundation—“All the way Home”.

To raise funds for their foundation, our MUD gave Chad's parents permission to create a memorial in the park. The memorial is a special place where concerned citizens and RCNA residents can purchase an engraved brick that shows they support the cause. **If you want to find out more about the foundation, you are encouraged to attend the dedication at the Veterans Memorial Bench on May 3rd at 11am.**

### Members-Only Pool Party

**Saturday, May 17th  
Noon to 4pm**

Our MUD is throwing its annual appreciation party for pool members. The afternoon will feature music, prizes, fun, and food!

**ONLY MEMBERS** will be allowed in. If you don't already have Summer or Annual passes, you will be able to sign up for one at the pool party.

Here's the breakdown for pool memberships, per person:

- ◆ Summer Only (5/1/14-9/15/14) \$20
- ◆ Annual (5/1/14-4/30/15) \$40

Children under 3 are free!! To join, just fill out the form on page 16 and mail it in with a check or grab a copy of your MUD bill and bring it with you to the Community Center.

The party is always a blast, we hope to see you there!



### May Events

All Month	Lap Swimmers Only—Sat-Sun, 6-8pm
May 2 & 3	Open Swim—No Tags Required
May 3	Dedication at RCNA Memorial Bench, 11am
May 5	Tags Now Required
May 15	MUD Meeting, 6pm
May 17	RCNA Members Only Pool Party, Noon-4pm
May 23	RCNA Meeting, 7pm
May 26	Memorial Day—Open Swim, 11am-8pm
May 30	Pool Open, 1-8pm
May 31	Scholarship Deadline Pool Not Open Until 3pm

### May Pool Operating Hours\*

M,W,F	Noon-1:30pm, 6-8pm
Sat	11am-8pm
Sun	Noon-8pm

\*Check page 19 for swim team practice/meet dates & times.

# President's Notes

Are we having fun or what, neighbors?!? I'm writing this the day after our Inaugural Crawfish Boil, and I couldn't be more in love with this neighborhood. Over 100 RCNA residents (and some friends and family of residents) gathered in the park on a beautiful Saturday to hang with their friends; meet new neighbors; listen to some seriously good rock music; and devour 200 pounds of crawfish, 30 pounds of shrimp, 40 pounds of sausage, and 50 pounds of potatoes. The appetite for crawfish in this neighborhood was nothing short of impressive! This was actually my very first bug boil, so I appreciate your patience if there was anything non-traditional about it. I had a very nice lady in a Saints jersey point out the importance of the garlic to rub on the potatoes—a lesson I'll remember for next year!

Once again it took a community to pull this event off, but a few folks deserve a special shout out: Mark Billiot was the Cajun King of Crawfish Cooking, assisted by Leon and Isabelle Fainbuch and the always reliable Brad Jones; David Malish from Murfee Engineering, whom donated and delivered the tasty libations; my forever faithful board of volunteers—Jason Wynne, Brian Kerman, Kelly Siegler, and Jamie True, responsible for all of the small details; and Jo Jones, Kim Greene, Gary Spoons, Bill Burke, and the rest of the MUD Board for their continued support of our neighborhood activities. And I can't say enough good things about the mad talent of RIIL Chemistry—boys, I'm a forever fan.

But we're just getting started! Bring the family to the park on Saturday, April 19th for another huge RCNA

# HAPPY HOUR

EVERY SECOND THURSDAY  
LITTLE WOODROW'S | 6:30PM



event - the Easter Egg Hunt! Kelly Siegler is coordinating the hunt this year, and I'm sure she'd welcome your support in making the event a successful one, so please reach out to her with any candy donations or egg-stuffing skills. May's event will once again be our Members Only Pool Party on Saturday, May 17th—we'll be serving up delicious BBQ plates and holding a raffle for some cool prizes, so go ahead and pay your dues NOW to participate in this and many other RCNA happenings!

I'm loving the momentum we're building in this community together—help us keep it going by paying dues, volunteering your time, or just participating in the events we're hosting. And as always—stop by and say hi, or come to our informal happy hours and meet your RCNA board. My goal is to get to know each and every one of you. For real!

Happy spring, Rattan Creek!  
Renee "ReNeighbor" Mullins  
reneemullins@gmail.com

## WHO PAYS FOR MY NEWSLETTER?

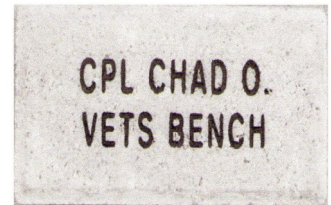
## GREAT RESIDENTS DO!!

Your annual dues of \$25 has allowed us to keep printing six times a year for two decades!! To renew, fill out the RCNA form on **Page 9** **OR** the MUD form on **Page 16** and turn it in to the Community Center **OR**, better yet, pay online at **[www.rattancreek.org](http://www.rattancreek.org)**.

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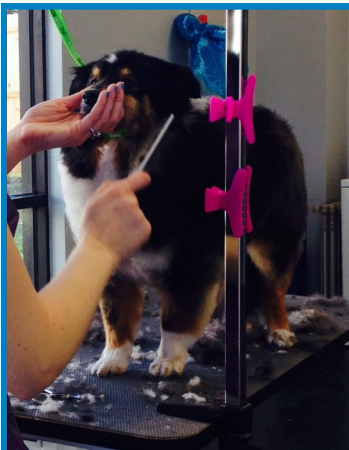
## Looking For Summer Vacation Ideas??

Hey, parents! Hey kids! Are you tired of playdates, lessons, and leagues? Do computer games crowd out outdoor play? Who says you have to leave town for vacation? Save your hard-earned pennies for a rainy day and do a staycation!

Our neighborhood boasts more points of interest than you might imagine. Make a picnic basket and unwind at your own pace. Depending on how you count our area, at least four playgrounds await you between Anderson Mill and McNeil Road. They vary in size and setting, but all of them feature their own unique attractions. Are you ready for a brief tour?

- **Rattan Creek Park** - a prime bikepath location at the end of Kerrville Folkway takes you to our main park. Ride alongside the creek bed and end up at our community's center. There's a huge heated pool, waterslide, playgrounds, a big climbing boulder, soccer fields, tennis, volleyball, and basketball. Continue along the path and traverse our brand new bridge.
- **Robinson Park** - a large park that features a covered picnic area, soccer fields, a couple great playscapes, and a wiggly balance beam. It has its own bike path!
- **Pond Springs Elementary Playground**— The "Home of the Pioneers" playground has a really cool wagon playscape that will help your kiddo conjure the Wild West!
- **Jollyville Elementary Playground**—Lots of nice shady spots for a picnic and a great big hardscape that's an excellent place to teach your child to ride a bike, play kickball, or play four-square.

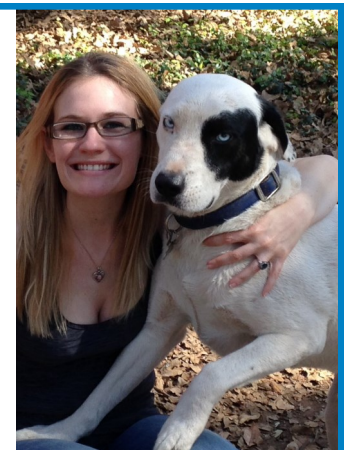
Our neighborhood parks and playgrounds are major assets, not to mention very accessible. Why worry about airfares, rental cars, outrageous amusement park ticket prices, and carbon footprints when you can stay home guilt-free?



## We Have A New Dog Groomer In Town!

RCNA Resident Kimberly Coyle-Stroud has opened Uptown Grooming at 9112 Anderson Mill, Suite 700-A. She would love to be your neighborhood groomer!!

You can call or text Kimberly directly to book an appointment at 512-269-6300. She is also on FaceBook at [austintowngrooming](https://www.facebook.com/austintowngrooming).





## Neighborhood Groups: Be a part of one!

### Newborn & Up

We are looking for parents to create a stroller-walker group to meet at the Rattan Creek Park!!

### 2 1/2-3 1/2 Year Olds

I'd love to setup a regular playdate for my 2.5 year old daughter. Up for weeknights or weekends. Would love summer grill outs or meetups at the park/pool. Call or text Terri Hoffa, 507-358-9099 or email [terrihoffa@gmail.com](mailto:terrihoffa@gmail.com)

### 3 1/2—4 1/2 year olds

We are looking for parents to create a playdate group for this age range!!

### Homeschooled Kids

Arbor Homeschool Group has weekly playdates, monthly field trips, and various other activities. All ages welcome! Contact Toni McKinley at 512-250-0496 or e-mail [tmckinley1@yahoo.com](mailto:tmckinley1@yahoo.com) for places and times we meet.

### Work From Home

We are looking for adults who are self-employed or work from home that are interested in coordinating coffee or lunch gatherings. Escaping the office you can never leave and spending some real face time with other people is a good thing!

### Contact Us!

We want groups for kids at the same level of development or that will be attending elementary school together some day. Please contact [rattancreeknewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:rattancreeknewsletter@gmail.com) if you want to start one.

## Have You Met The Eissler Family?

Congratulations to Adrian and Margaret Eissler of Corpus Christi who had little boy David Aaron on February 28th!!

A HUGE congrats goes out to Margaret Eissler, she was chosen as Teacher of the Year at Chisholm Trail Middle School. We should all be especially proud of that accomplishment considering she was teaching while pregnant during the year.



## 30 Ways To Help Build a Strong Community



- ◆ Turn off your TV & put down the phone
- ◆ Know your neighbors, not just their names
- ◆ Look up when you are walking
- ◆ Plant flowers together
- ◆ Share what you have
- ◆ Fix it even if you didn't break it
- ◆ Support neighborhood schools
- ◆ Take children to the park, often
- ◆ Have potlucks
- ◆ Play together, you're never too old to play Frisbee or a game of cards
- ◆ Greet people
- ◆ Leave your house & explore
- ◆ Sit on your porch
- ◆ Help a lost dog
- ◆ Ask a question
- ◆ Barter for your goods
- ◆ Bake extra & share
- ◆ Ask for help when you need it
- ◆ Organize a block party
- ◆ Help carry something heavy
- ◆ Talk to the mail carrier
- ◆ Hire young people for odd jobs
- ◆ Buy Local
- ◆ Honor elders
- ◆ Pick up litter
- ◆ Read stories aloud
- ◆ Dance in the street
- ◆ Listen to the birds
- ◆ Put up a swing
- ◆ Start a tradition

## Avoid Making Your Home A Target For Burglars

According to the Austin police, burglaries in Austin neighborhoods cost residents over \$1.3 million per year in loss of property alone. Statistically a majority of burglars are adolescent males who live just a few miles from you. They are looking for quick scores and easy targets. Homes within a couple blocks of roads like Parmer, McNeil, and Anderson Mill are especially susceptible. If you live on one of those streets, please pay close attention. There are a few easy and simple ways to avoid making yourself a victim.

It is key to remember that burglars **do not want to enter your house when you are home**, so do everything you can to make it look like you are home at all times:

- Use timers for lights inside your house.
- Program your TV to turn on and off at a certain time.
- Install motion sensitive lights outside and never leave your outdoor lights on during the daytime.
- Don't let newspapers pile up on the driveway.
- Keep your yard mowed.

Most burglars are **in and out of a house in less than five minutes**, so make it difficult to get into your house when you're not home and it will increase their chance of being caught in the act:

- Lock your doors. Entry doors should all have deadbolts.
- Lock your windows. If you insist on having a window open, use window locks that limit how far they can open.
- Close your garage doors when you leave or go to bed.
- Secure sliding doors by placing a piece of wood or metal in the door track to prevent a burglar from gaining entry.

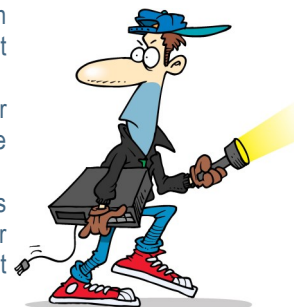
- Install padlocks on your sideyard gates. They can't sneak behind your house if they can't get through the gate.

They are **looking through key places in your house** where they think you'll have anything of value, so don't "hide" your valuables in obvious places:

- The best place to put your valuables is in a bolted down safe in a child's closet. Burglars rarely check kids' rooms or closets.
- For flat screen TVs, attach a lock kit to it and the wall mount.
- If you plan on being out of town, hide valuables that won't fit in a safe at the bottom of a dirty clothes hamper in a child's room.

They **don't want to call attention to themselves**, so having a notification system of some sort, whether it be man or machine, helps ensure that someone is watching out for you:

- Install a wireless home security system and have security yard signs. Don't forget to set the alarm too!
- If you're headed out of town, let your neighbors know and offer to do the same in return for them.
- Make sure neighbors have the Sheriff's department phone number handy for calling whenever something doesn't look right.



By following these quick and easy home security tips, you will greatly decrease the chance that your home will become a target.

# GARDENING AND ITS HEALTH, MENTAL AND FINANCIAL BENEFITS



Gardening is a great way for older adults to meet their recommended daily 30 minutes of moderate-intensity physical activity. Researchers at Kansas State University discovered that among the health benefits of gardening is keeping older hands strong and nimble while improving self-esteem.



It's probably no surprise that gardening, and all the physical activity that goes along with it, leads to weight loss and better overall physical health. But did you know that gardening can improve your bones as well? Gardening strengthens your bones in a way similar to weight training.

## HEALTH STATISTICS



- PLANTING BURNS -177 CALORIES
- WEEDING BURNS -157 CALORIES
- DIGGING BURNS -199 CALORIES

## GREEN EXERCISE



Just five minutes of exercise in a green nature setting can boost mood and self-esteem



## MAKING MONEY



Growing **vegetables** saves on your grocery bills.

One 25-foot tree can reduce your heating/cooling costs by up to

**10%**

One fast-growing forest tree can absorb up to

**48 pounds** of carbon dioxide per annum

## REAL ESTATE STATISTICS



GREAT LANDSCAPING CAN INCREASE REAL ESTATE'S APPRAISED VALUE BY **8-15%**



A HOUSE WITH TREES IS AS MUCH AS **20%** MORE SALEABLE

As per a U.S. Forest Service study done in Amherst



# The Women's Book Club



The Rattan Creek Women's Book Club meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm.

**New members always welcome!**

Ladies, don't forget to bring your book suggestions and please consider hosting the next book club...

**For more book club information, please contact RCNAbookclub@gmail.com**

**NOTE:** Dates and book titles are subject to change.

## Rattan Creek Neighborhood Association Annual Membership Dues – \$25 per household

You can also pay your dues online at [www.rattancreek.org](http://www.rattancreek.org).

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Membership  Renewal  New

I would like to volunteer to assist with:  Activities  Committees  Newsletter

**TURN THIS FORM AND YOUR ANNUAL DUES OF \$25 IN TO THE COMMUNITY CENTER.**

Thank you for your continued support!! We depend on your dues to provide Rattan Creek the:

Easter Egg Hunt & Parade  
4th of July BBQ & Parade  
Monthly Happy Hours

Movie Nights in the Park  
Book Club  
Members Only Pool Party

Rattan Fest & 5k Fun Run  
RCNA Newsletter  
College Scholarships



### Architectural Control Committee

Send all submissions for ACC approval to:

**RCNA-ACC**  
P.O. Box 200584  
Austin, TX, 78720-0584 OR  
acc.rattancreek@gmail.com

The MUD has the deed restrictions for RCNA's ACC. If you need copies of your Deed Restrictions, contact or send the request to:

**North Austin MUD 1 — Deed Restrictions**  
15803 Windemere Dr., Ste. 603  
Pflugerville, TX 78660  
(512) 251-2934

- There is an \$8.50 charge for the copies.
- 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.

### What Does The ACC Do?

The Architectural Control Committee (ACC) handles all submissions related to additions or changes to structural outdoor components of your property. No construction or improvements can begin without written approval of the ACC.

The following improvements are considered projects that require approval from the ACC:

- Backyard Play Equipment
- Decks and Arbors
- Fence Replacement
- Home Addition/Renovations
- Storage Sheds
- Pools

Once all of the required documents and fees are submitted, the ACC will review your submittal data for compliance with Rattan Creek deed restrictions. The ACC has 30 days to respond with approval, denial, or a request for more information.

After you receive your approval letter, you can go forward with your project as you described in your submission. If you go forward with a project without an ACC approval letter, you can be subject to legal action by your neighbors and/or by the ACC.

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# Youth Sports Leagues - Northwest Family YMCA -

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#### Helpful Information

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- Parent-coaches & YMCA officials.
- Every child plays at each game.
- Youths receive a Sports Jersey.
- Youths receive a season medal.



#### SPECIAL OFFER

**- SAVE \$48 -**

Bring this ad to the Northwest YMCA and we'll waive the \$48 Member Join Fee!

Expires: May 1, 2014

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# A New Kind Of Neighborhood Watch: Nextdoor.com

Because of resident Brannen Padgett, Rattan Creek has been a part of Nextdoor.com since January 2013. What exactly is Nextdoor.com you ask? It is a free and private social network for neighborhoods. On Nextdoor, neighbors create private websites for their neighborhoods where they can send out alerts, ask questions, get to know one another, and exchange local advice and recommendations. Thousands of neighborhoods across the country are already using Nextdoor to:

- Report suspicious activity and local crime
- Find trustworthy local resources, such as babysitters, plumbers, and dentists
- Organize neighborhood events, such as garage sales and block parties
- Get assistance in finding lost pets and missing packages
- Sell or give away items, like an old kitchen table or bike

Nextdoor's mission is to use the power of technology to build stronger and safer neighborhoods. Nextdoor believes that when neighbors start talking, good things happen. Last December, the [City of Austin](#), the [Austin Police Department](#), and the [Travis County Sheriff's Office](#) started using Nextdoor to provide important information, like crime and safety updates, to residents using the platform. Already, more than 80% of the neighborhoods in Austin and nearly 50% of the neighborhoods in Travis County use Nextdoor. To sign up, all you have to do is go to their site and enter your address.



If you know or meet Brannen, be sure to thank him for helping bring our community a little closer together every day!!

## No Homes For Sale in Rattan Creek!!

As of March 5 there are no Rattan Creek homes for sale in the Austin MLS (out of 2600 homes)!

	# of Homes	Avg. Price	\$ per sq. ft.
Pending Sales	8	\$237,775	\$125.24
Sold 2014 (Jan-Mar)	12	\$235,308	\$117.90
Sold 2013 (Jan-Dec)	162	\$214,475	\$106.51
Sold 2012 (Jan-Dec)	144	\$187,872	\$100.00
Sold 2011 (Jan-Dec)	114	\$184,974	\$94.13

I've lived in our wonderful neighborhood for 17 years and helped over 80 of your neighbors buy and sell their homes!

### My Recent Rattan Creek Sales -



**13420 Rossello Dr.**  
1690 sqft per owner  
Listed for \$219,900  
SOLD in February



**13256 Darwin Ln.**  
2603 sqft per tax rec.  
Listed for \$294,900  
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Crossroads Utility Services is responsible for managing the water and wastewater services, trash collection, and maintenance of all public areas within our district, including two beautiful and extensive parks with a pool, volleyball and tennis courts, playgrounds, hike and bike trails, and athletic fields.

Any specific issues, questions, or comments should be directed to the General Manager, Gary Spoons at 512-246-1400.

[www.crossroadsus.com](http://www.crossroadsus.com)

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Place Four (11/2014) President  
Alan McNeil, 512-219-8719

Place Five (11/2016) Assistant Treasurer/Secretary  
Kim Green, 512-331-6940

The center, pool, park, and courts are owned by NAMUD 1 and professionally managed by **Crossroads Utility Services Company**. Pool/tennis court applications should be submitted by mail or in person at:

**RCNA Community Center**  
7617 Elkhorn Mountain  
Austin, Texas 79729

**Community Center Desk 512-257-1255**  
**Pool Desk 512-257-1265**  
**North Austin MUD #1 Desk 512-257-1271**

The pool is professionally cleaned and cared for by **Clearwater Management** (512-331-7066).

NAMUD 1 also enforces deed restrictions and handles neighborhood complaints. If you notice a neighbor has violated a deed restriction, send the signed, written complaint to:

**North Austin MUD 1 — Deed Restrictions**  
15803 Windemere Dr., Ste. 603  
Pflugerville, TX 78660

### WATER CONSERVATION SCHEDULE

*North Austin MUD #1, as a wholesale water customer of the City of Austin, is voluntarily following the City's watering days' schedule.*



Customer Class	Outdoor Water Use Days	Effective
Residential Odd numbered address	Wednesday and/or Saturday	Until Further Notice
Residential Even numbered address	Thursday and/or Sunday	Until Further Notice
Commercial, Multifamily	Tuesday and/or Friday	Year-Round

**Year-round:** No watering with automatic irrigation systems between 10AM and 7PM

**May 1 - Sept 30:** No watering between 10AM and 7PM except with hand-held hose.

# Learn To Swim Program

Sign up starts May 3rd  
at Noon at the Pool!!

- Qualified Instructors
- For Ages 3 to Adult
- Monday—Thursday, thirty (30) minutes each session
- 1:5 Teacher to Student Ratio
- Minimum of three (3) students per class
- Children under 3 years old—private lessons only (see Pool Manager)
- Tot-Beginner, Beginner and Advanced Beginner, and Intermediate Swim Lesson Levels

Offered By Clearwater Management  
512-331-7066

**\$55**  
For eight lessons

## CLASS TIMES FOR EACH SESSION

11-11:30AM 11:15-11:45AM 12-12:30PM  
5:30-6PM 6-6:30PM 6:15-6:45PM

## CLASS SESSIONS

Session I June 9 – June 19 (M-TH)  
Session II June 23 – July 3 (M-TH)  
Session III July 17– July 17 (M-TH)  
Session IV July 21 – July 31 (M-TH)

*We reserve the right to eliminate or combine class times if there are not enough students signed up to fill a class at a particular time.*

## SWIM LESSON REGISTRATION

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class Level \_\_\_\_\_ Session \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Existing Swimming Skill (check one): \_\_\_\_\_ Beginner \_\_\_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_\_\_ Advanced

*Instructors will evaluate the student's skills and student may be moved to another class!*



# Family Fun At Rattan Creek Park



# Book the Rattan Creek Community Center for your next party!

Facility reservations are handled through the MUD desk at the Community Center or by calling 257-1255.

## Rental Rates

Cleaning and damage deposit and Williamson County Sheriff Off—Duty fee:

	In-District Deposit	Out of Deposit	Williamson County Deputy Fee
Event without alcohol	\$500	\$1,500	No Charge
Event with alcohol	\$750	\$2,250	\$50 per rental hour (4 hr min)

For rentals with alcohol: for every 100 people you must have 1 Deputy @ \$50 per hour. For example: 200 people = 2 Deputies at \$100/hour.

## Facility Rental Rates

Rooms	Resident*				Non-Resident			
	2 hours	4 hours	12 hours	Add'l hours	2 hours	4 hours	12 hours	Add'l hours
Great Room	\$60	\$100	\$280	\$25	\$180	\$300	\$840	\$75
Conference Room	\$50	\$85	\$235	\$20	\$150	\$255	\$705	\$60
Meeting Room	\$40	\$70	\$190	\$25	\$120	\$210	\$570	\$45
Kitchen	\$50	\$100	\$200	\$25	\$150	\$300	\$600	\$75
Combo: Great Room & Kitchen	\$80	\$150	\$450	\$40	\$300	\$540	\$1,400	\$120

\*To qualify for the Resident rate, the person completing the application and paying the use fee must live within North Austin Municipal Utility District #1. We do not allow third party rentals.

## Other Fees and Optional Equipment Rental Additional Fees

◆ Setup Fees	Start at \$50/hr (depending on time required)
◆ Optional layout fee by community center staff	\$100/hr (not a standard layout)
◆ Over allotted time penalty rate + rental fee	1.5 times rental fee
◆ After hours fee (after 12am)	1.5 times 2 hour rate
◆ Room cleanup by Community Center Staff	\$50/hr per person plus materials
◆ Contract security (4 hour minimum)	\$50/hr
◆ Sound system (Aux plug to speakers for use with Mp3, iPods)	\$10
◆ TV/VCR/DVD	Not available at this time

## Private Parties

1. Adults eighteen (18) years and older holding a pool ID 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 11:30pm.
2. Reservations must be made at least four (4) days in advance with the Pool Manager. Reservations are confirmed by a \$50 deposit. A reservation is not confirmed until the Pool Manager receives the deposit. The cost for rental of the pool is \$10 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.

**NORTH AUSTIN MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 - RATTAN CREEK PARK POOL & TENNIS COURTS  
APPLICATION FOR 2014 SUMMER SESSION**

**Application to Use Recreational Facilities and Release of Liability**

*PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING – INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED*

NAMUD1 Water Bill Account No. _____	Home Telephone No. _____
Name _____ (As it appears on NA MUD1 bill)	
Address _____	
Emergency Contact _____	Emergency Phone No _____

**Household Members:** All members receiving badges must be listed below. Badges required for ages 3 and up.

Member Name	Date of Birth	Member Name	Date of Birth
_____	____/____/____	_____	____/____/____
_____	____/____/____	_____	____/____/____
_____	____/____/____	_____	____/____/____
_____	____/____/____	_____	____/____/____

**2014 MEMBERSHIP FEES**

Quantity	Cost	Amount
_____ Summer In-District Badge (5/1/2014—9/15/2014)	@ \$20 per badge	\$ _____
_____ Annual In-District Badge (5/1/2014—4/30/2015)	@ \$40 per badge	\$ _____
_____ Out-of-District Summer Membership (Up to 4 Badges if needed)	@ \$200 per household	\$ _____
_____ Additional Out-of-District Summer Badge	@ \$50 each additional badge	\$ _____
_____ Summer Guest Admittance (only w/ badge purchase)	@ \$2 each (one time use)	\$ _____
_____ 10 Summer Guest Admittances (only w/ badge purchase)	@ \$15	\$ _____
_____ Tennis Court Swipe Cards (In-District Only, 5/1/2014—4/30/2015)	@ \$40 (one card/household)	\$ _____
Email: _____		
_____ RCNA Membership (Covers Jan—Dec 2014)	@ \$25 per household	\$ _____
<b>NOTE: SUMMER BADGES/GUEST ADMITTANCES ARE VALID THRU 09/15/14</b>		<b>TOTAL \$ _____</b>

**ALL ITEMS PURCHASED ARE NON-REFUNDABLE**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bring copy of your water bill with you if coming in person.</li> <li>• CHECK MUST BE SEPARATE FROM WATER BILL PAYMENT – DO NOT MAIL APPLICATION W/ WATER BILL</li> <li>• 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.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make Checks Payable To: <b>North Austin MUD No. 1 Pool</b></li> <li>• Check MUST accompany this registration form to be processed. <b>NO CASH ACCEPTED!</b></li> <li>• Mail or Deliver To: <b>NAMUD1 Pool, 7617 Elkhorn Mountain Trail Austin, Texas 78729</b></li> </ul> |
|---|--|

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: ____/____/____
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## PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING APPLICATION

- All members receiving ID badges must be listed, with birthdates, for the application to be considered complete. Children under three do not need to be listed.
- Guest admittances can only be purchased by a member of the pool. All guests must be accompanied by a pool member.
- Three guest admittances will be assigned with each Summer or Winter ID badge purchased. Six admittances will be assigned with each Annual ID badge. Complimentary admittances are not issued with ID badges purchased for replacement of a lost or stolen badge.
- A check made payable to North Austin M.U.D. #1 (NAMUD1) Pool must accompany the application to be processed.
- A check for pool ID badges, tennis key and/or RCNA **must be mailed separately** from the payment for the NAMUD1 water bill.



Replacement fees for lost or stolen ID 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 ID badges, please specify for whom the annual ID badges are to be assigned to, as each ID badge can only be assigned to and used by **one** person.
- Annual ID badges are good from the beginning of the summer session until the end of the winter session and not necessarily a year from the date of purchase. (i.e. valid from May 2005 to April 2006)
- Tennis court keys are good from (approximately) the end of April/first of May until the end of April of the following year. New keys will need to be purchased at this time every year. **Only ONE key can be issued per household.**
- ID 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 ID badges, etc., that you are requesting. The application should state the year and session being registered for above the list 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 an ID badge purchased for him/her.
- Only ID badges will be available at the pool. All applications and payments must be submitted by mail or in person.
- ID badges can be picked up at the pool after your application is processed.
- **EACH** person for whom an ID badge is purchased (ages 3 and older) will need to have their picture taken at the pool office before the badges will be issued. No additional paper work will need to be completed at the pool, but identification will need to be shown.
- Forms of payment accepted for pool and tennis keys are check and money order. Credit/debit cards are not accepted for payment.
- In the event a check is returned by your bank, your water account will be posted with the fees for items purchased, plus a returned check fee.
- All applications **MUST** be signed to be considered complete.
- Application, schedules and other information on district facilities is available on the district's website ([www.northaustinmud1.org](http://www.northaustinmud1.org)).

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

# Rattan Creek Park Pool & Court Rules & 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.

## POOL RULES & 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 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.
13. Coaching activities, other than by parent/guardian, are prohibited except as provided by Pool Manager, McNeil High School or the Hurricane Swim Team.

### 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.

### 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):

Weekday hours are 11 a. m. to 9 PM

Saturday hours are 11 a. m. to 9 p. m.

Sunday hours are 12 Noon to 9 p. m.

### 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.

**Questions or Problems: Contact the Pool Manager or Bill Burke at 331-7066.**

## TENNIS COURT RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Tennis Play Only. Soccer tennis is prohibited.
2. No glass containers.
3. No alcoholic beverages inside court area.
4. No pets, bicycles, skateboards, skates or motorized vehicles are allowed on the courts.
5. No dangerous or offensive conduct or offensive language will be allowed.
6. Time limit of 60 minutes is observed when others are waiting.
7. 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.
8. A maximum of (4) players are allowed per tennis court at any time.
9. A member may have a maximum of three (3) guests at one time on the court.
10. Gate should be locked at all times.
11. Special activities may be scheduled with District Manager.
12. Court keys may be purchased at ECO Resources.

## SPORT COURT RULES & REGULATIONS

1. No glass containers.
2. No alcoholic beverages inside court area.
3. 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.

### Court Hours:

7AM to 10PM (In District Members Only)

Private Park for use of residents of North Austin MUD #1 and their invited guests. *The resident must be present at all times when the court is in use.* Violators are subject to removal, privileges revoked and possible prosecution.

## Austin Has An Aquarium!

Until now, Austin was the largest metro area in the country



without an

aquarium. The Austin Aquarium welcomes everyone to enjoy the unique interactive experiences found within, and is especially excited to introduce children and families to the world beneath the ocean's surface. Guests are encouraged to hand feed sharks, rays, birds, and fish, or to get up close and personal with many of the reptiles and other animals on exhibit. Above all, the Austin Aquarium promotes education through an interactive experience in a comfortable environment. Kids and adults alike are sure to be amazed at the soft skin of sharks and rays, delighted at the grace of the sea turtles surfacing for air, and enchanted by the cute and playful otters coming Spring 2014.

The Austin Aquarium provides children and families access to the excitement and learning opportunities of the ocean without the long trip to the coast. Guests can watch jellyfish gently float and glow and admire the bright and colorful corals, all within easy reach of home. We can't wait until Summer 2014 to hear the bark of our fur seals from Uruguay! The Aquarium offers multiple educational programs and events for kids, as well as behind the scenes tours for those curious about just what it takes to keep an aquarium in good working order. Popular programs developed by the owners from their other locations, such as birthday parties and 'Marine Biologist for a Day' programs, will also be featured at the Austin Aquarium. "We hope to inspire a young generation of ocean explorers and conservationists through education and a shared experience with a live animal, to create an appreciation for the oceans," says Director Shaun Monahan. With over 8,000 living animals representing habitats from the Oregon shores to remote Indonesian Islands, the experience will instill respect and awe for our rich aquatic resources. The owners place a premium on the family experience, with a special interest in foster children. Having hosted 31 of their own, and adopting 3, they understand the struggles foster families face, and therefore offer free admission to foster children. Also included in free admission are all families, children, and employees of Austin Children's Shelter and Children at Heart Ministries, who together help families in difficult circumstances.



### Team Practices/Meets @ Rattan Creek Park

#### All April:

Hurricane Swim Team Signup Online

St. Savio Tennis Practice—Mon-Fri, 3-4:30pm

McNeil Swim Practice —Mon-Fri, 6:30-8am or 7:30-9:30am

#### All May:

St. Savio Tennis Practice—Mon-Fri, 3-4:30pm

McNeil Swim Practice—Mon-Fri, 6:30-8am/7:30-9:30am

Hurricane Swim Team Signup Online

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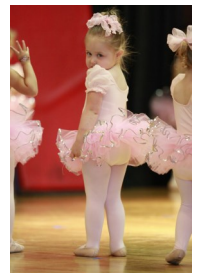
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www.northaustindance.com**

## Springing into Gymnastics on Anderson Mill

We are thrilled to announce the impending opening of Austin Gymnastics Club in Dakota Plaza at 8516 Anderson Mill! Beginning in July, we will offer afternoon youth gymnastics and cheerleading tumbling classes, as well as morning classes for preschoolers. Classes are free for the month of July, and our normal schedule will begin in August. We would love to meet you at our booth at the RCNA Easter Egg Hunt, and please visit our website at [www.austingymnasticsclub.com](http://www.austingymnasticsclub.com). We also want to extend a 10% discount to RCNA members who choose to enroll their children—just mention this article!

One of the things that we love about gymnastics is the broad foundation that the sport provides for a wide range of endeavors, be they athletic, academic, or beyond. We are passionate about creating an atmosphere in which children can approach seemingly daunting tasks with confidence and determination. The central feature of gymnastics training is learning skills and routines that would be dangerous and difficult in isolation. But the skills are accomplished by breaking them down into elements, perfecting each element through focused repetition guided by constructive coaching, and then putting those elements together to accomplish a steady progression of increasingly difficult skills. The results of this process are very tangible and exciting in the gym as new skills are learned, but the deeper lesson is the process itself. Focus on the elements necessary to achieve the goal. Perfect each element through dedicated attention to detail. Combine the elements to accomplish the goal!

We have been a part of the Rattan Creek community for the past four years and see a demand for high quality youth gymnastics instruction. With the birth of Austin Gymnastics Club, we're excited to focus on providing excellent gymnastics training for children in the Rattan Creek area.



Our gymnastics background comes from Adrian's competitive experience in the Junior Olympic program and in the NCAA at the College of William and Mary in Virginia, as well as his decade of gymnastics coaching experience. We want to bring that experience to bear to create a truly excellent program that creates opportunities for our kids to compete at a high level, and uses an organized, constructive, and positive approach that keeps our kids safe and happy with their experience.

Building toward the opening of the gym has been a tremendously exciting and challenging experience over the past year. Margaret taught at Chisholm Trail Middle School while carrying baby David, whom we welcomed on February 28. Adrian worked as an attorney for the Public Utility Commission of Texas during the day and coached gymnastics at an established gym in the evenings. It has been busy, to say the least.

It's funny, but perhaps not surprising, that we frequently find ourselves in need of the very lessons we teach our gymnasts. We are certainly faced with fear and doubt as we invest our savings and time in an endeavor with the inherent risks of a start-up business. But we've identified objectives, broken them down into elements, created a plan to perfect those elements, and we'll now put those elements together to accomplish the objectives. Then we hope to celebrate, and identify the next goal!

In creating the business, we have also been pleased to work with our Rattan Creek neighbors Luis Delgado ([www.thecriticalupdate.com](http://www.thecriticalupdate.com)) and Kyle McConkey ([www.kylemccconkey.com](http://www.kylemccconkey.com)) for our IT needs and web and logo design. We look forward to meeting many more of you soon!

**- Margaret and Adrian Eissler  
Austin Gymnastics Club**

# School Events Calendar

## Jollyville Elementary School

Jog-a-thon	April 11th, 6-8pm
Cookout Lunch	May 2nd
Art Gallery Night	May 6th, 6:15pm
Field Day	May 9th
Volunteer Breakfast	May 19th

## Pond Springs Elementary School

Fun Run and Picnic	April 12th, 9:30am
Donuts with Dads	April 16th, 7:15am
Muffins with Moms	May 8th, 7:15am
Volunteer Tea	May 13th, 3pm

## Deerpark Middle School

Talent Show	April 11th, 7pm
Fine Arts Gala & Auction	April 17th, 6pm
Encore Choir Show & Beginning Band Concert	May 1st, 3:30pm & May 1st, 7pm
Band Spring Concert	May 8th, 7pm
Orchestra Concert	May 13th, 7pm
Dance Spring Show	May 15th, 6:30pm
8th Grade Formal Dance	May 16th, 6:30pm
Choir Follies	May 22nd, 3:30pm & May 22nd, 7pm

## McNeil High School

Culture Fair	April 4th, 4pm
Senior Awards Ceremony	April 29th, 6pm
Prom	May 3rd, 8pm
Graduation	May 30th, 7:30pm



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	Student Holiday/ Staff Development
	Student and Staff Holiday
	First/Last Day of Classes
	Six-Weeks Grading Period
	Nine-Weeks Grading Period
	Elementary/Middle Early Release

## Rattan Creek Neighborhood Association 2014 Scholarship Award Program

### Three (3) \$500 scholarship awards available

- Responses must be postmarked no later than May 31st .
- We are not responsible for any lost, delayed or any mail not received.
- The Scholarship applicants will be notified via phone after the RCNA regular scheduled meeting on June 25th.
- Finalists should be prepared to answer questions in an interview format with the RCNA Board, if requested.

#### Criteria:

- High School Senior that is part of a RCNA member family
- Academic achievement
- 4 hours Community Service with the RCNA (Contact the RCNA board if you need hours!)
- At least 4 hours Community/Public Service outside of the RCNA
- 2-4 page essay discussing what community service means to you
- Completed application, essay and resume (if available) mailed to:

**RCNA Scholarship  
P.O. Box 200584  
Austin, TX 78720-0584**

## Application

Full Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number(s)  
\_\_\_\_\_

College(s) planning to attend Fall 2014  
\_\_\_\_\_

High School  
\_\_\_\_\_

High School Counselor  
\_\_\_\_\_

Current cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_ on a scale of \_\_\_\_\_

On a separate sheet of paper:

- List activities, awards, or special recognition you have received
- Briefly list work experience (attach a resume if available)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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## RATTAN CREEK IS HOT! HOT! HOT!

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As a long time Rattan Creek resident, full time REALTOR® and Rattan Creek Home Specialist, I have been helping folks buy, sell, invest and lease properties for over 15 years. Many homes recently listed have had multiple offers on them. You need to have an experienced REALTOR® who is a great negotiator and who can advise you chose the best offer for your home.

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for every Rattan Creek home sold**

## Teen Services Ads

**Hannah Winkler, 16 years old.** I have done pet sitting for many people and I love all kinds of pets. I'm available before and after school, weekends, and over most holidays (such as Christmas). You can contact me by email at hannahwink@yahoo.com or phone at 512-966-5798. (6/14)

**Ahmad Baytie, 14 years old.** I do lawn mowing and leaf blowing anywhere around the Milwood area. I am available on weekends during the school year and daily during school breaks. I can work prices out. You can contact me on my cell number which is (512)-914-3188. I will respond to my calls ASAP. I have had experience and have my own tools thank you. (6/14)

**Miranda Chapman, 15 years old.** I can babysit children of all ages. I am available on weeknights and weekends. I can be reached at 512-529-7347. (6/14)

**Zak Shelton, 17.** Pet Sitting. I love all animals (big and small) and I have been dog and cat sitting recently for my neighbors and friends. I am available after school, weekends and every holiday. I can be reached by email zak.shelton96@gmail.com or by cell at (512) 299-5393 for more information. (6/14)

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**Frances Davis Massage.** Chair massages. Benefits of chair massage—relieves stress, increases circulation, reduces muscle tension and pain, and relaxes and rejuvenates. Rattan Creek Community Center, every Tuesday, small meetings, from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. 15 minute chair massage is \$15. 30 minute chair massage is \$30. To make an appointment call 512-461-1459 or email [fdavis012@gmail.com](mailto:fdavis012@gmail.com). Visit [www.francesdavismassage.com](http://www.francesdavismassage.com). (6/14)

**Amber Moon Studio.** Yoga, Pilates, massage & so much more! Now also serving... Wine Shop at Home... When can I come pour Artisan wines for you and your friends? We're still your Rattan Creek connection for PartyLite & Pampered Chef (turn your home & kitchen into a playground)! Please contact Sharon Boon at 512-299-5447, [www.ambermoonstudio.com](http://www.ambermoonstudio.com) for more details. Visit our webpage for weekly updates and current specials; sign up to be on our mailing list, and you could win a FREE show or products. (6/14)

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**Virginia Hernandez Photography.** I'm a seven-year resident of Rattan Creek offering great rates on professional photography services to fellow neighbors! Contact me for information on: portraits, parties, anniversary gifts, formal events, etc. [www.virginiahernandez.com](http://www.virginiahernandez.com) (512) 537-3626. (8/14)

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- Teen ads run free, but must be renewed every 6 months.
- Classified ads are 25¢ per word, per issue.
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- No exceptions will be made.
- The date at the end of ad indicates last month the ad will run.
- Deadline for ads is the first of each month for the following month/issue.
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- Ads should be emailed to [RattanCreekNewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:RattanCreekNewsletter@gmail.com).



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# Learn Something About Where You Live...

Rattan Creek is unique in that half of the neighborhood is in Travis County, the other half in Williamson County. Also, it is not in the city of Austin and Jollyville is not a city either, it's a census designated place. That can make things confusing for us, especially where it concerns things like road maintenance, taxes, and burn bans. For this issue, we will cover just an aspect of the **southern** half of the neighborhood that is in Travis County.

Just over a dozen streets in Rattan Creek are in Travis County. Those Rattan Creek residents live in Voting Precinct 207/County Precinct 2. For those of you that live there, here is a list of elected officials that make up your county government, by position:

- Commissioner, Bruce Todd
- Judge, Samuel T. Biscoe
- Constable, Adan Ballesteros
- Sheriff, Greg Hamilton
- Justice of the Peace, Glenn Bass
- County Attorney, David Escamilla
- County Clerk, Dana DeBeauvoir
- District Attorney, Rosemary Lehmborg
- District Clerk, Amalia Rodriguez-Mendoza
- Treasurer, Delores Ortega-Carter
- Fire Marshall, Hershel Lee



*The southern shaded streets on this map are in Travis County.*

The next issue will cover this same set of information for the northern half of our neighborhood that resides in Williamson County.

## Important Numbers

Jollyville Fire Non-Emergency	512-258-1038
Williamson Cty Non-Emergency	512-943-1300
Travis Cty Non-Emergency	512-974-0845
Crime Stoppers	800-253-STOP
Williamson Cty, Precinct 1	512-733-5380
Travis Cty, Precinct 2	512-854-9222
Dept of Homeland Security	800-BEREADY
Poison Control	800-POISON1
Balcones Post Office	512-331-9802
RRISD	512-464-5000
Jollyville Elementary	512-428-2200
Pond Springs Elementary	512-464-4200
Deer Park Middle School	512-464-6600
McNeil High School	512-464-6300
City of Austin Electricity	512-494-9400
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