

Police Appreciation Event:

Thursday, April 29th, 2010

Doors open at 6:30 pm, meeting begins at 7 pm

Fellowship Hall of Covenant Methodist Church, 4410 Duval Rd

This is Mesa Parks 17th Annual Police Appreciation. We are being joined by Balcones Woods and Angus Valley's residents to share in this great tradition. We are grateful that there is a contingent of 300 police personnel located in the NW Lamplight Station that are dedicated to help when we ask. If you have not participated in the past, please do so This is a family event and a great way to meet your neighbors and the police officers of the NW District.

Items needed for the gift boxes:

- Homemade cookies – individual bags & sealed with 3-5 cookies in a bag.
• Chewing gum (regular and sugar free)
• Small bags of peanuts or assorted nuts
• Breakfast bars
• Individually wrapped biscotti or jerky
• Small packages of pretzels
• 3" x 5" spiral-bound notepads that would fit in an officer's pocket
• Small packages of cheese and peanut crackers

Mesa Park donations: Drop off your items before April 28th. Drop off your homemade cookies only on the 29th. Keep them in your freezer until the day of the event.

Contact Susan McVicker, at 917-3018, 11620 Elk Park Trail for drop off. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call. We really appreciate your donations for this event.

The Mesa Park Community & Schroeter Park needs your HELP!

We have been diligently working with the City of Austin Parks Dept on Schroeter Parks Sign renovation. We have selected the replacement Kiosk and now just need more financing to make this project come to fruition and finalized. Currently, we have received \$250.00 from numerous Mesa Park residents who have made donations specifically for Schroeter Park. The City has quoted \$550 for the Kiosk kit. We need your help of an additional \$300 to reach our goal. Once we have the funding, the sign can be ordered and construction will take place.

Please send your donations to: MPNA, PMB 104, P.O. Box 200255, Austin, TX 78720, and reference Schroeter Park on the payment.

Thank you and if you have any questions, feel free to contact Gina Mattiza @ 241-2939.

Railroad traffic a good sign

By David Crowley

Some of you may be bothered by the extra traffic recently along Duval. The Union Pacific workers are out getting new tracks on the rail crossing Duval and city workers are installing the medians that make the crossing safer and will allow us to make it a horn-free quiet zone. I am also hopeful that the median will reduce the number of drivers making unsafe left turns from the National Instruments and San Marin apartments drive near the tracks. Sorry for the recent delays, but the result will be good for our neighborhood.

"My heroes are those who risk their lives every day to protect our world and make it a better place—police, firefighters and members of our armed forces."

— Sidney Sheldon

Upcoming Events In this issue

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Market report for Mesa Park: Between 1/6 – 4/6/2010...2 properties have sold, \$138 & \$163 a sq. ft. Currently...12 properties active, Avg. \$148 per sq. ft.

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QUARRIES CAMPS

Camp Preview Day - April 17th!
10 am - 2pm

Join us for camp games and activities, FREE food, and lots of camp information!

Camp registration will be open!

Come join us at the Quarries Pavilion!

hpbc.org/quarries

241-0233

ARE YOUR KIDS READY FOR SUMMER YET?

We can't wait for summer at Quarries Camps!
Campers will have an awesome experience right around the corner!

Weekly camps for kids entering 1st-6th grades

June 14-18 Tip Off Basketball Camp

June 21-25 Outback Outdoor Camp

July 6-9 Adventure Austin Camp

July 12-16 Ballin' All Sports Camp

July 19-23 Splash Camp

July 26-30 First Down Flag Football and Cheer

For more Quarries Camps information visit the Quarries Website

Great Progress Made at on It's My Park Day

By David Crowley

We had a great turn out again for Schroeter Park It's My Park Day on March 6th. I made a mistake with the date in the newsletter two years in a row, but we still had about twenty volunteers show up to improve the park. We finished moving all of the mulch on the Big Trail side of the park, gathered up the brush cut down the by the Parks Dept, lined internal trails with rocks, and did general clean-up. The park sign and mile markers were planned but unfortunately didn't happen this year. Thanks to neighbors generosity we have been able to raise over \$200 toward the sign, but the Parks Dept misled us on the cost of the sign which turns out to be

almost \$500. The Parks Dept did help out greatly with the work day by delivering the mulch where we requested and cutting down the brush. They were not able to do all that they had agreed to however and did not get the trail distances marked before the work day, so we didn't get the mile markers in place this year. We had mostly volunteers from our neighborhood, but others were from all over Austin, Round Rock, and Cedar Park. I was encouraged by the great help of several neighbors that helped last year and came back this year ready to go and made a lot of progress. We hope that you will be able to help out next year and enjoy the park until then.

Save Your Empty Aluminum Cans

By Cindy Lindsay

Don't forget to save your empty aluminum cans to donate to the Blue Santa project. This is an ongoing project, not just for Christmas-time. The cans are redeemed, the money going to purchase toys, so that not one needy child goes without a toy at Christmas. This program is sponsored by the Austin Police

Department, and is another way our crime fighters work to make our community a better place to live.

It is easy.....just save your aluminum cans and drop them off at 11703 Shoshone Drive. There are receptacles by the garage just waiting to be filled.

Mesa Park Garage Sale

Come one, come all. Gather up all those items that are cluttering your closets, garages and attic spaces.....we're throwing a BIG subdivision-wide garage sale.

When: Saturday, May 8, 2010.

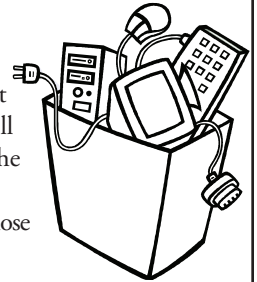
Time: From 8:00 am to 1:00 pm

Cost: \$5 will include listing your house on the map, helping pay for advertising, and net you a coupla' balloons to help the shoppers identify YOUR sale.

To add your house to the list, call Cindy @ 346-2232 by not later than April 28th, and pick up your balloons at 11702 Shoshone any-time during the first week of May.

In the event of rain, the sale will be postponed till the next Saturday.

Start pricing those unwanted items.



Austin Civic Wind Ensemble



www.acwe.org

SPRING CONCERT !

Tuesday, April 20th, 7:30pm

The concert theme is "Literary ACWE," featuring music based on literary works such as *Moby Dick*, the *Iliad* and the *Divine Comedy*.

Admission is Free !

Covenant United Methodist Church

4410 Duval Road



ACWE is funded and supported in part by the City of Austin through the Cultural Arts Division.

MPNA Crime Reports from APD for Mesa Park Neighborhood

February 6, 2010 - March 31, 2010

Crime	Address	Date	Time
ANIMAL BITE	116xx FAST HORSE DR	03/06/2010	RESIDENCES
ASSAULT W/INJURY-FAM/DATE VIOL	115xx FAST HORSE DR	02/25/2010	RESIDENCES
ASSAULT W/INJURY-FAM/DATE VIOL	116xx NATRONA DR	3/12/10	RESIDENCES
BURGLARY OF RESIDENCE	43xx RED CLOUD DR	02/09/2010	RESIDENCES
BURGLARY OF RESIDENCE	115xx ELK PARK TRL	3/7/10	RESIDENCES
BURGLARY OF RESIDENCE	117xx BLACKHAWK DR	3/28/10	RESIDENCES
BURGLARY OF VEH	117xx NATRONA DR	02/18/2010	PARKING LOTS/GARAGE
BURGLARY OF VEH	115xx FAST HORSE DR	2/18/10	OTHER / UNKNOWN
BURGLARY OF VEH	42xx RED CLOUD DR	2/18/10	PARKING LOTS / GARAGE
BURGLARY OF VEH	117xx SPOTTED HORSE DR	2/18/10	RESIDENCES
CHECK WELFARE	115xx FAST HORSE DR	02/26/2010	RESIDENCES
DRIVING WHILE LICENSE INVALID	xx WIND RIVER RD	03/07/2010	STREETS/HWY/ROAD/ALLEY
FAMILY DISTURBANCE	116xx BIG TRL	02/21/2010	RESIDENCES
FAMILY DISTURBANCE	115xx FAST HORSE DR	2/26/10	RESIDENCES
FAMILY DISTURBANCE	116xx ELK PARK TRL	3/12/10	RESIDENCES
HARASSMENT	50xx POWDER RIVER RD	03/03/2010	STREETS/HWY/ROAD/ALLEY
LEAVING THE SCENE CRASH/ACCIDE	117xx NATRONA DR	02/25/2010	RESIDENCES
THEFT	48xx GRAY FOX DR	02/08/2010	RESIDENCES

Thank you for your Donations!

MPNA Board of Directors continues to work for you on a volunteer basis. All residents of Mesa Park Neighborhood are members of Mesa Park Neighborhood Association, whether you rent or own your home. If you receive this newsletter, delivered at your door, you are a member. Mesa Park does not charge annual dues, unlike most other neighborhood associations, but we do accept donations.

Donations pay for the "Mesa Park Messenger" newsletter, gift cards for the Holiday Lighting Contest, neighborhood garage sale, "Its My Park Day", the Annual Police Appreciation Event, and other events. We really need your help to keep the newsletter going.

We want to thank all the residents that have donated for the past few months. We really appreciate your generosity.

If you would like to make a donation, please complete the form below and include your check. A minimum amount of \$5.00 would be greatly appreciated.

Donation for MPNA \$ _____

Name: _____

Phone and Address: _____

Email: _____

Mail check to MPNA, PMB 104, P.O. Box 200255, Austin, TX 78720

Helpful Numbers

Police Headquarters
Main Switchboard 512-974-5000

Homicide tip line 512-477-3588

Robbery Hotline. 512-974-5092

Sex Crimes tip line 512-974-5095

Auto Theft tip line 512-974-5096

Abandoned Vehicle
tip line 512-974-8119

Northwest Area
Command 512-974-5591

Neighborhood contacts:

President/Quarries Representative: **David Crowley**, mesapark@crowleyhome.net or 11621 Spotted Horse Dr., 78759

Mail donations to MPNA, PMB 104, P.O. Box 200255, Austin, TX 78720

Volunteer Coordinator and Newsletter Editor: **Susan McVicker**, susanmcv@att.net

Board Members: **Cindy Lindsay**, 346-2232, TreeTopProp@prodigy.net; **Gina Mattiza**, gmattiza@austin.rr.com; **Terry Tevis**, 736-8469, mpnapres@yahoo.com; **Claudia Ullrich**, claudia.mpna@gmail.com; **Paul Pedroncelli**, Webmaster, paulp.mpna@gmail.com

Emergency: 911

Police Non-Emergency: 311

NW Austin Police District Representative: SPO Mike Dunn, mike.dunn@ci.austin.tx.us, 974-5553

Reminder: The MPNA is not an HOA (Homeowner's Association). If you have a complaint or need to report a violation, please contact the appropriate city official for assistance. Thank you!