

Mesa Park MESSENGER

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National Night Out 2011

Wind River:

More than 40 neighbors partied joyfully on Wind River Road Tuesday night! I heard many belly laughs throughout the evening. I am grateful to our neighbor Mary Litton, whose hosting of 2010 NNO party inspired us to host this year's National Night Out. My husband, Gary and I had so much fun meeting neighbors that we had trouble falling asleep. Now how many parties have you been to where you can say that?

It was simple to host. We provided cold water, and a pan of brownies. Our generous neighbors, James and Jessica Dvorscak, brought their grill and made yummy hotdogs and provided a few cold beers. Chips and salsa quickly disappeared. With toddler in tow, Mary Litton set up a bean bag toss for the children to enjoy.



such a large rig. Kesha remarked, "I don't see how they do it. This thing is huge!" If we would like to show our appreciation for the firefighter's service, they very much enjoy fresh fruit and power bars. In addition the two Austin Code Compliance Enforcement Officers enlightened us on a few helpful City Services. One service is free tree trimming of hazardous limbs. Susan and David Downman, Toledo Dr. and Wind River Rd., received this free service just 5 days after National Night Out. Thank you, city of Austin! Another neighbor received information about



running electric lines to his home and the need and reason for the expense of a City Inspection to complete this work. The City does not make money on inspections. They are performed to keep everyone safe with electric use.

Thank you to our precious neighbor, Ms. Romanita. She experienced a frightful home invasion by two burglars on September 7th, 2011, 9:30 am. Thank the Lord she was not injured. Her small faithful dog defended her and the burglars exited her home when she yelled. Because of this recent incident, we became aware of our need to know each other and to report unusual



activity on our street. And while I am angry and sad about the burglars, I am glad so much good has happened as a result.



Dull Knife:

National Night Out and Dull Knife Drive – Another Great Turnout!



ranging from 1 year to 17 years and even some grandkids were there to welcome the big red fire truck!

We had hot dogs, chips, cookies, drinks, and lots of fellowship for this popular Dull Knife event. Our appreciation and thanks to Jonathan and Patricia, the real estate team who co-hosted the event with Gina Mattiza. As you

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can see by the group photo, many smiling faces were the true measure of our NNO success! This has become a fun get together for the Dull Knife residents and is sure to be even bigger and better in the years to come!

Fast Horse:

We had a great time meeting our neighbors. The Austin Fire Department stopped by and ate hotdogs with us. We had a few children who were given the chance to sit in the fire truck. A lot of great food was shared. We had homemade desserts, chips and salsa, chicken salad, and salads. I enjoyed meeting some of my neighbors and hosting the party. We had about 25 people join us for the evening. Here are some pictures.

Catalonia Drive:

At our party on Catalonia, we had about 30 people show up throughout the evening. I provided ice cream, beer, juice and water. Neighbors brought chocolate chip cookies and brownies. The firemen came with their firetruck and a brush fire truck. The kids had a great time climbing on the truck. It was fun to meet new neighbors and catch up with old ones!



Austin Civic Wind Ensemble
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FRIDAY OCTOBER 28TH 7:30

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the Quarries

ALL MESA PARK NEIGHBORS WELCOME!

Hyde Park Baptist Church & The Quarries Church Present:

Family Fest
 Fun for the Whole Family!


Sunday, October 30
 5:00-7:00 p.m.
 The Quarries
 11400 N. Mopac Expy
 Austin TX 78759

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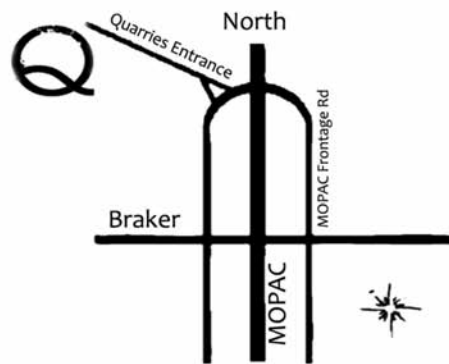
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 512.459.6587

Check out our website to see more of what we have to offer!

 www.hpbc.org/quarries

 **Special Fitness Membership Rates**
 for our Mesa Park Neighbors!

Just bring this ad in for
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Walking Directions:

The Quarries walk-in gate is located at Spotted Horse and Mesa Woods Drive.

Driving Directions:

From Braker go north on the service road. The service road will turn to the left under Mo-Pac Expy and you want to be in the right hand lane. Immediately after crossing under Mo-Pac, take the first right into The Quarries. the Fitness center is toward the back of the complex behind the fields.

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Davis DolphinFest Saturday, October 22 12pm-4pm



DolphinFest is an annual carnival and fundraiser held at Davis Elementary School, complete with phenomenal food and incredible carnival booths. Weather will not stop the fun, DolphinFest will happen rain or shine!!

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

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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

All the messages are available on-line at
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Mesa_Park_Neighborhood/messages

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

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