

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

by NACA

October 20th Meeting

NACA members will hear from Travis County Constable Bruce Elfant, Yasmine Smith, and Officer Frank Wilson at the Oct. 20 meeting. It will be at 7 p.m. at Little Walnut Creek Library, 835 W. Rundberg.

Constable Elfant is a UT graduate who has worked for the Texas Legislative Council, the Travis County Tax Assessor Collector's office and has managed a City Council campaign. He was elected Constable in 1992 and is now serving his fifth term. He is married to Lisa Harris. **Yasmine Smith**, 17, is the founder of ACKNOWLEDGE, a nonprofit group dedicated to educating residents about human trafficking, the modern day version of slavery. **Officer Frank Wilson** is NACA's district representative with APD and will make a short presentation and answer questions.

New Name for Solid Waste Services

by Linda Moore

City officials have announced that Solid Waste Services has changed its name to Austin Resource Recovery, with a goal of Zero Waste. "Our new name--Austin Resource Recovery--more clearly represents our mission to achieve Zero Waste by providing excellent customer services that promote waste reduction, increase resource recovery, and support the City of Austin's sustainability efforts," said Bob Gedert, Director of the Austin Resource Recovery.

Gedert says that material collected is (Continued on page 3)

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NEXT MEETING

Date..... 10/20

Time..... 7:00 pm

Place..... Little Walnut Creek Library

835 W. Rundberg

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President's Musings for October, 2011

by Eleanor Langsdorf

What to say, it is still hot and expected to stay hot for some time. So thanks to everyone who is doing their part to conserve water and manage their use of electricity. I am sure many of us have dead grass and stressed trees and shrubs. If you are like me, you make an effort to save the trees and shrubs and ignore the grass. Perhaps once the weather turns cooler, we can make changes to our landscaping so that the next time we have an extended drought most of our open area will be covered with drought tolerant native plants of all sorts.

At the August meeting, attendees enjoyed ice cream donated by the kind folks at the local H-E-B. So thanks to Dave and Marty for the donation of ice cream, spoons and ice. This H-E-B store is a willing donor when NACA asks for assistance, whether it is food for a celebration or permission to put trash in their dumpster. The September street clean-up was on Rutland in the area near the store and the staff kindly brought out a portable trash bin for us to put the filled bags in. So when you shop there, take a moment and identify yourself to Dave or Marty as a member of NACA and say thanks.

A reminder to those who have garage sales: if you put up a poster advertising your sale, please have the courtesy to remove it when the sale is over. It is illegal to post signs on stop sign poles, light poles and such but we all know it happens. It seems to me that if someone can take the time to put up a sign that person should also be able to take it down. And if it is not taken down, perhaps a walker will take the time

to remove it.

Parking vehicles on lawns is still against city ordinance in the NACA area. So please don't do it. It damages the ground if oil and other fluids leak from the vehicle and it crushes it down so rain (when it comes) runs off instead of soaking in. Violations can be reported to our police district representative, **Frank Wilson**, at frank.wilson@austintexas.gov. He needs location, vehicle type and plate number and time of day observed. He will investigate, talk with resident and issue a citation if necessary.

Thanks to all who are helping keep NACA and Austin beautiful by cleaning up litter on the streets and in the parks, by reporting code violations and by maintaining their property. Thanks also to the wonderful people who are saving aluminum cans and plastic bottles (no. 1 and 2) for our on-going recycling efforts. A volunteer sells the collected cans and bottles to recyclers and the money earned helps pay for supplies for street clean-ups and other small beautification projects. When you have a supply to be picked up give me a call and I'll get them from you. It helps if they are crushed and in plastic bags. Thanks.

Hope to see all of you at the October meeting on Thursday, October 20 at the library at 7 p.m.

And please pay your dues!!

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Special People Needed For Special Trash Pickup

by Susie Milam

Sherry Pyle and I walked the newly-built perimeter trail at Quail Creek Park recently. It's a wonderful addition to the neighborhood and was getting a lot of use the evening we were there. But there's a lot of trash between the trail and Rutland Blvd.

On October 22, there will be a special trash pickup along the trail as it parallels Rutland between Mearns Meadow and the Cross Creek Apartments. We need a group of able-bodied folks (some of this area is on a slope) to come and help make the place look really spiffy. We'll start at 8:30 a.m. and finish no later than 10:30 a.m.. NACA will furnish bags, grabbers, gloves, water, and safety vests. Cross Creek Apartments has graciously allowed us to use their park-

ing lot for this event. Enter from Rutland, the first driveway west of the intersection of Mearns Meadow and Rutland. Please park in the area immediately adjacent to Quail Creek Park. If you can help, please call me at **491-9159** or email me at **smilam1211@earthlink.net**.



(Continued from page 1) now seen as a resource that is recovered for a second life, rather than a waste stream destined for the landfill. Zero Waste goes beyond recycling to focus on reducing trash and reusing products and then recycling and composting the rest. The City has a goal to reduce waste sent to landfills by 90 percent by 2040.



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Items they will take include

- Batteries
- Thermometers
- Fluorescent lights
- Empty containers
- Paint and solvent
- Lawn care chemicals
- Automotive products

Please make sure the containers are tightly closed.

They will not accept waste generated by a business, computers or other appliances, explosive materials, medical waste, radioactive waste, and tires.

Composting Classes

by Linda Moore

The City of Austin Solid Waste Services will offer a free composting class on Saturday, Oct. 22, at 10 a.m. for those who pre-register. The class will be in the parking lot at 9600 Stonebridge Dr. (at the clock tower) and parking is on Stonebridge Drive.

Daniela Ochoa of Solid Waste Services will

teach the class in both English and Spanish. To reserve a place, call **Brian or Gina Almon, 836-6853**, or e-mail them at **almonfamily@gmail.com**. In order to offer the class, at least 25 people need to be pre-registered to attend.

Clases Para La Creación de Abonos Orgánicos

El Servicio Solid Waste de la ciudad de Austin ofrecerá una clase gratis, que le enseñará a crear abono orgánico el Sabado 22 de Octubre, a las 10 a.m. Para poder atender debe pre-registrarse. La clase sera enseñada en el estacionamiento hubicado en la calle 9600 Stonebridge Dr. (en la Torre del Reloj), debe estacionarse en la calle Stonebridge Dr. para tener espacio en el estacionamiento.

Daniela Ochoa de el Servicio Solid Waste enseñará la clase en Inglés y Español. Para reservar un espacio en la clase llame a **Brian o Gina Almon, 836-6853**, o por e-mail a **almonfamily@gmail.com**. Para que se pueda dar la clase, deben haber por lo menos 25 personas pre-registradas a atender.





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City Of Austin Water Restrictions

by Brian Almon

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- Odd-numbered commercial/multifamily addresses water on Tuesday
- Even-numbered commercial/multifamily addresses water on Friday

Stage 2 Includes:

- Watering allowed 1 day per week for all Austin Water customers
- Hand-watering allowed anytime
- No automatic irrigation or hose-end sprinklers between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- Vehicle washing on designated day before 10 a.m.

- No charity carwashes
- No automatic fill valves for pools or ponds
- No outdoor fountains except to provide aeration for aquatic life
- No water to be served at restaurants unless requested
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New NACA Facebook Page

by Linda Moore

Dawn Johnson and Cindy Chapter have set up a Facebook page for NACA and you can search for it by entering www.facebook.com/NorthAustinCivicAssociation.

The Facebook page will have a fan page for official and semi-official announcements, a copy of the newsletter and any meeting notices. It will also provide a way for people who live and work within NACA boundaries to share and communicate information.

The enVision Conference

The enVision Conference on **Oct. 21-22** will incorporate speakers, workshops and resources to educate young adults from all ethnic groups, ranging from ages 18-29. **The conference will focus on how traditional values relate to this generation achieving success.**



The conference will provide an environment for networking and building relationships for people to assist each other in current and future endeavors.

To register, go to www.theenvisionconference.com/register or send your questions to hannah@theenvisionconference.com. Hannah Bell is hosting the enVision Conference.

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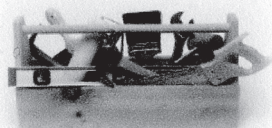


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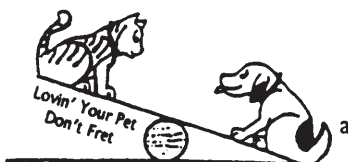
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A new Distributor is needed for **Area 4B**. A Distributor is responsible for insuring that the Walkers of their area get their newsletters in a timely manner. The boundaries for Area 4B are: Kramer (north), Parkfield (east), Mearns Meadow (south), and Metric (west).

Currently, the 4B Distributor delivers 14 bags to 4B Walkers and it takes about a 1/2 hour. Please contact **Sherry Pyle**, email: sdpyle@austin.rr.com. She can provide you with a map & an address list of current Walkers in Area 4B.

NACA AREAS:

AREA 1: – no walker needed

AREA 2:

- Hunters Trace (40/Payton Gin-Rndbrg)
- Rundberg Ln (12/W of Parkfield)
- Rutland Dr. (61/W of Parkfield), Tronewood(5)

AREA 3:

- Grouse Meadow + 1201-1205 Rutland (58)
- 1103-1127 Rundberg + 9302 Collinfield (28)

AREA 4A: – no walker needed

AREA 4B:

- Lambert Cir. (31)
- Pine Knoll Dr. (55)
- 10501-10612 Golden Meadow + 10503-10600 Little Pebble (48)

AREA 5:

- Barnhill + 1442-1469 S. Meadows (40)
- Bird Creek (66)
- Fieldwood (78)
- N Meadows Dr. (146)
- Quail Blvd. (6)



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