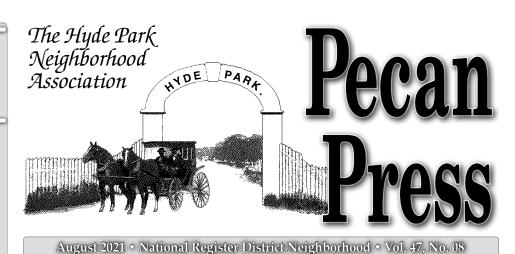




### Saturday, August 7 at 7:00 pm Shipe Park, next to Shipe Pool

- ⇔ Everyone is welcome!
- Sring your family to enjoy ice cream & socialize with your neighbors!
- Solution → Solution → Solution → This will take the place of our usual monthly general membership meeting.



# Exploring Hyde Park The Caswell House

Editor's Note: Many of the Exploring Hyde Park articles published during the previous two years have been taken from past Homes Tour booklets. In those booklets, the researchers and writers of articles about houses are not individually credited, so they could not be credited in the Pecan Press. However, we want to thank all of you who contributed to past Homes Tour booklets. Your efforts on behalf of Hyde Park are much appreciated!

Like many houses in historic Hyde Park, the Caswell house, also known as the Morrison-Smith House, was built during the early years of the neighborhood, housed several prominent families, declined as rental property, and was restored by loving owners.

W.T. Caswell platted the lot at 4615 Caswell in 1910 as part of the Ridgetop Annex. After passing through several hands, Mary Saul Walker purchased it and built the house in 1919.

Mary Saul Walker was born into the Saul family, wealthy land and cattle owners instrumental in settling the Brushy Creek area of Williamson County. Her grandparents, who are listed in the Williamson County Genealogical Society's List of Pioneers, were among the first settlers in that area. She was born in Austin to John Saul, son of the original settlers, and Melvina Louise Saul. Her father, a cattleman, was killed in an accident during a cattle roundup on the Double Mountain Range Land and her mother died of tuberculosis, leaving her orphaned at age 13. She and her two surviving siblings moved to Williamson County to be raised by uncles. In 1900, Mary Saul married John Walker. The Walkers spent the early part of their marriage in Williamson County before moving to Austin. In 1915 they divorced.

Mary's second husband, William John Morrison, emigrated from Wales. He worked as a traveling salesman for Butler Bros., Hurst Bros. Co., and L. Jonas & Co. The year 1920 was significant for him: he received both his Certificate of Naturalization and Masonic Degree in Austin Lodge No. 12. After his first marriage ended in divorce in 1917 or 1918, he married Mary Saul Walker in 1919 and by 1920 they were living in the Caswell House. Mary did not enjoy her new marriage or house for long: in August, 1920, she died of chronic Bright's Disease in her automobile while parked in front of Joseph's Drug Store on Congress Avenue. William remarried in 1923 and remained in the house with his new wife until 1925.

W.B. and Josie Webb owned and occupied the house for about a year before selling it to Albert F. and Amanda Abrahamson Smith.

Albert Smith was born to William and Sofia Smith, the first Swedish pioneers in Kimbro, Travis County, Texas. After studying at Bethany College in Kansas and graduating from the business school at Southwestern University in Georgetown, he opened a store in Kimbro. He went on to spearhead the establishment of a post office in Kimbro and serve for eight years as postmaster. He also assisted in acquiring a new school for Kimbro, one of the largest and most modern in the countryside; served as musical director of the Kimbro Evangelical Free Church; and founded the Kimbro Orchestra.

Amanda Abramson emigrated from Sweden and married Albert Smith in 1905. They relocated to the Caswell House from Kimbro in 1926. Albert became a farmer. They were both active in the

# From the Desk of the Co-Presidents

The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association will host an Ice Cream Social on Saturday, August 7 at 7:00 pm in Shipe Park, next to the Shipe Park pool. The Ice Cream Social will be held instead of our usual monthly general membership meeting. After a year of Zoom meetings, it will be nice to see everyone in person and share some ice cream.

In our May letter, we described bills before the Legislature that might affect Hyde Park. The Legislature's regular session is over, and here is an update on those bills:

• First, Senate Bill 30 passed with bipartisan support and will go into effect on Setptember 1 of this year. Senate Bill 30 provides a process by which a property owner can remove racially restrictive language from real property records such as deeds.

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We discussed this bill in our Co-Presidents' letter last month.

- The Legislature also passed House Bill 3871. This bill relates to homes in historic districts such as Hyde Park. It specifies that when a county chief tax appraiser calculates a property's value, the appraiser must consider the limitations that the historic district places on the property owner's ability to alter, improve, or repair structures on the property. This legislation might help some neighbors with their tax appraisals. The bill goes into effect on January 1, 2022.
- Senate Bill 1120 did not pass. This bill would have limited the right to protest zoning changes to only changes that affect an individual lot or a limited number of contiguous lots. The bill would have allowed cities to evade notice and protest rights when multiple properties were proposed for rezoning. Many saw Senate Bill 1120, and its companion House Bill 2989, as reactions to a district court's ruling against the City of Austin's attempt to limit citizens' rights to protest rezoning under Austin's revised land development code. Although these bills were defeated, the City still has an opportunity to convince an appellate court to overturn the district court's ruling.
- Finally, House Bill 3813 did not pass. This bill would have prevented the City of Austin from adopting and enforcing



ordinances that regulated the production of amplified music from bars and concerts. The bill would have also prevented any sound limitation between the hours of 10 pm and 2 am. We in Hyde Park – as well as all the other folks who live near downtown – should be grateful it did not pass.

We hope you all are having a pleasant summer. We hope to see you at the Ice Cream Social!

 Michele Grieshaber Lisa Harris Kevin Heyburn HPNA Co-Presidents



## **Pecan Press**

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# **Homes Tour Returns In Style**

ark your calendar, folks. Sunday, November 14, 2021 will be a day of fun at the 43rd **V** Annual Historic Hyde Park Homes Tour. The event will kick off at the newly renovated Baker School, which will serve as ticket central this year. The school was purchased by Alamo Drafthouse and underwent a beautiful restoration in 2019. While there, visit the Artist Fair on the school grounds. From the school you will proceed to six of the most historic homes in Hyde Park. All but one home on this year's tour have historic designations. One home will be making a debut this year: On the tour this year is the Mary Lowry House, which pairs nicely with the Baker School because Miss Lowry was the Principal of the Baker School in 1892. There is another tie-in to Baker School later in the tour: In the Mansbendel-Williams House were found boxes of records from the Baker School PTA. Your tour will end at the Elizabet Ney museum, one of the enduring jewels of Hyde Park. Plans are in the works to add live music to the venue this year. With eight stops, the tour promises to delight. Tickets are \$20 in advance online or \$25 at ticket central on event day.

The tour is a signature event of the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association and raises funds for neighborhood activities and for preservation efforts such as the restoration of the Log Cabin in Shipe Park, while highlighting the rich history of Hyde Park.

Volunteers are needed to serve two hour shifts as docents or as ticket central staff. In return, volunteers receive free admission to the event and an invitation to the after party. Many volunteers have returned year after year; it's that much fun. To be placed on the volunteer list, contact Kip Dollar (kipdollar@aol.com) or Chad Crow (chad@secondlabelwine.com).

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- Kip Dollar

## **Monthly Calendar** August

- 5 DRC Meeting
- 7 Ice Cream Social at Shipe Park
- 7 Saturday Morning Drawing Salon at the Ney
- 9 Steering Committee Meeting
- 13 Recycling Pickup
- 14 Saturday Morning Drawing Salon at the Ney
- 21 Saturday Morning Drawing Salon at the Ney
- 27 Recycling Pickup
- 28 Saturday Morning Drawing Salon at the Ney

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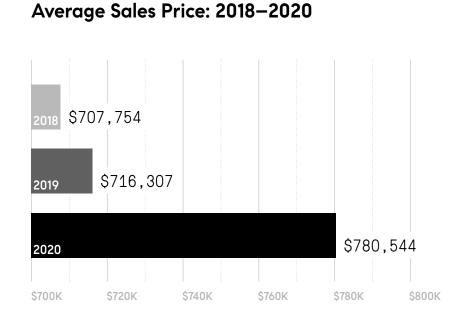


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# News from the Ney

A s usual for this time of year, the museum will be open for Saturday Morning Drawing Salons from 10 am to noon starting Saturday, August 7. Escape the heat and the hectic end-of-summer bustle with quiet, meditative drawing at the Ney. Elisabet's sculptures make perfect models for your sketching enjoyment. The architecture itself does, too.

Staff will be on hand to provide guidance. You need no experience to participate! That said, experienced hands are always welcome. There will be supplies such as paper, pencils, erasers, drawing boards, and more for you to use; and all is available at no charge. So get started! Share your images on Instagram or other social media. You may be a Rembrandt or Goya and not even know it!

Jade Walker's *Reweave: 2021* remains on exhibit. Her indoor piece, *Birdsong*, commenting on our relationship with the changing environment, occupies the Contemporary Gallery. *Mire* + *Mend*, her outdoor piece, continues to invite you to interact by adding string, rope, remnants of clothing, and more, contributing to the community healing that it aims to inspire. Keep an eye on your garage for items to add – old water ski rope, for instance, is perfect! And keep visiting as more looms will sprout over the coming weeks. There are also QR codes that lead you to commentary by Jade Walker herself, both inside and out.

August will also see a modest repair at the Ney. The historic balcony on the second floor needs attention. First of all, the flooring and railing will be replaced, as the wood, last replaced in the 1990s, is no longer sound. At the same time, construction crews will take this opportunity to deconstruct much of the balcony's stonework in order to re-fortify the lentils between their columns. Some wood elsewhere on the front façade will also be replaced. This work will begin in late August or early September and will take approximately a month. Caution tape will be in place, and the museum will remain open as normal throughout the work. This is not part of the window restoration project that was delayed by the COVID outbreak. That will begin in mid-2022. More information about that project will be available soon.

Museum staff says "Thank you," as always, and looks forward to seeing you this month. Sursum!

### Word Find: Born in August by der Brat

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- 1. Met his match at Waterloo. (8) \_\_\_\_
- 2. Geraldine: 1st woman on major party ticket. (7)
- 3. Number 44, from Hawaii. (6,5) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Gave us Frankenstein. (4,7) \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Gave us "One O'Clock Jump." (5,5)
- 6. French Chef ... from Pasadena? (5,5)
- 7. Famous for singin' in the rain. (4,5)
- 8. James, who's not your Negro. (7) \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Infamous spy and singer. (4,4) \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. Davy, who ended up at the Alamo. (8)
- 11. Ms. Houston: "I will always love you" (7)
- 12. Thornton from Sling Blade. (5,3)
- 13. Ran things in Cuba. (5,6) \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. Maria whose name is on some schools. (10)
- 15. Neil, who moon walked before Michael. (9)
- 16. Yasir, that's my ... baby? (6) \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. She Done Him Wrong. (3,4) \_\_\_\_\_
- 18. John T. from the monkey trial. (6)
- 19. Formerly the heavy weather guy on NBC. (2,5)
- 20. Wolfgang, who gave us Faust. (6) \_\_\_\_
- 21. Catwoman and Oscar winner. (5,5)
- 22. This puzzle maker. (3,4) \_\_\_\_\_

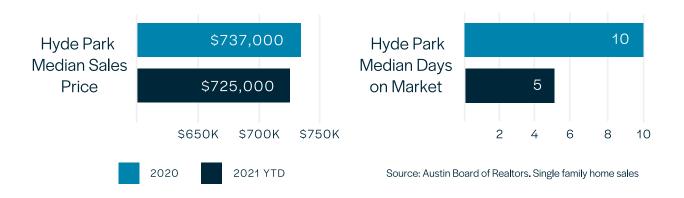
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# HPNA General Meeting Minutes: July 12, 2021

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m ichele}$  Grieshaber welcomed everyone and outlined the agenda.

Daniel Priest, Environmental Compliance Specialist Senior with the City of Austin, gave a presentation on tree preservation.

- Daniel Priest gave a twenty minute presentation on tree preservation. He was introduced by John Walewski, the Hyde Park Neighborhood Tree Preservation Officer. Daniel shared that, in addition to his experience with the city, he was an arborist in the private sector for many years, so he has a wide range of experience.
- Daniel covered the many benefits of trees and outlined some common issues related to trees and development in the city.
- Austin created and implemented one of the first tree protection ordinances in the country in 1983. Austin's heritage tree ordinance was implemented in 2010. All trees 19" in diameter or larger are protected (all species, including less desirable trees such as hackberry and chinaberry). Some trees 24" in diameter or larger are considered heritage, depending on the species. All trees 30" in diameter or larger are heritage trees (regardless of species). Trees 8" in diameter or larger must be included in surveys.
- To measure the diameter of a tree, measure 4'6" up the trunk from the ground and wrap a tape measurer or string around the trunk at this height to get the circumference. Circumference divided by 3.14 will give you the diameter.
- The critical root zone of a tree is the zone in which the majority of the tree's roots lie. The critical root zone is the same diameter in feet as the trunk diameter is in inches. For example, a tree with a trunk diameter of 22 inches would have a critical root zone of 22 feet.
- Many people believe a tree's root area aligns directly with the tree's canopy; this is incorrect. Roots extend well beyond the canopy of the tree.
- Most of the feeder root system is in the top 12 inches of soil. Cutting or trenching in the critical root zone and over-compaction due to vehicle or foot traffic are especially harmful. Most damage to trees occurs during development (construction).
- If a homeowner has a tree he or she believes to be sick and hires an arborist who recommends its removal, it is a city arborist who makes the final decision on removal (not a privately hired arborist).
- Removal of a heritage tree is a class C misdemeanor.
- Homeowners are allowed to prune up to 25% of the canopy without a permit.
- City arborists recommend but do not require that homeowners use an arborist certified by the International Society of Arboriculture.

- A meeting attendee asked, what is the average age of the pecan trees in our neighborhood? Pecans can live to 300 or 400 years. Most mature pecan trees in Hyde Park are not native trees and were planted sometime after the neighborhood was established.
- Another attendee asked, if you suspect a tree might be diseased, can the city help with diagnosis? No, the city does not offer tree health assessments. You would need to reach out to a private arborist.
- Following is a link to additional guidelines and information: *http://austintexas.gov/page/tree-re-views-and-permitting*.

Stephen Gonzalez gave an update on the city's Equitable Transit Oriented Development (eTOD) initiative.

- As mentioned in previous HPNA meetings, Transit Oriented Development (TOD) is an intentional mixing of land use and transit through the creation of compact, walkable, mixed-use communities within walking distance of a transit stop or station.
- The City Council has recently made efforts to place a stronger focus on making sure that Austin's upcoming light rail development is also equitable that it doesn't negatively impact any person or group in an unequal or unfair way.
- The section of rail line that will run down Guadalupe Street, adjacent to Hyde Park, is the Orange Line. For planning purposes, the Orange Line is broken into 2 sections: Republic Square North to Tech Ridge and Republic Square South to Slaughter. Hyde Park falls into the Republic Square North to Tech Ridge section.
- There are two public planning meetings coming up related to the section of the Orange Line that will be adjacent to our neighborhood; one meeting is on July 28 and the other is on August 3.
- HPNA will be paying particularly close attention to how the western edge of the neighborhood will be affected.

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## Around & About the Avenues

**Hyde Park Bike Shop Robbed.** On July 8, the Peddler, at Duval and 51st Street, was rammed by a truck, resulting in a giant hole, and robbed by a team of four thieves. Owner A.J. Camp reported that this was the fifth in a series of robberies of the Peddler's two locations (Hyde Park and Cedar Park), resulting in the loss of \$70,000 to \$80,000 worth of bikes, both new bikes and bikes being repaired. It was also the latest in a series of bike shop robberies throughout Austin. The robbery was reported on KXAN (*https://www.kxan.com/news/local/ austin/thieves-ram-hole-in-front-of-austin-bike-shop-owner-sayslatest-in-rash-of-break-ins/*).



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• If you wish to attend one of the upcoming public meetings, you can find the Zoom link and additional information at this link: *https://www.capmetro.org/get-involved*.

Stephen Gonzalez also gave an update on the old Sears building located in the Hancock Shopping Center.

- You might have noticed that there is a Leasing Available sign posted on the old Sears building in the Hancock Shopping Center.
- There is a project underway to redevelop the building into a shared space that will offer office and retail space.
- The project has been named "The Lewis at Hancock," after Lewis Hancock, the namesake of the Hancock Golf Course and neighborhood.
- An advertisement on *LoopNet.com* states that the building will offer 150,250 square feet of four-star office space. The website also adds, "Situated in the heart of old Austin, the Lewis enjoys not only a rich legacy within the city, but also a superior amenity base that leaves a tenant wanting for nothing. From retail, to restaurants, to nightlife, options for entertainment abound."
- Some spaces could be available as early as December 2021.

- HEB will also be expanding into part of the space, adding a cafe.
- Some of the tenants that are currently in the space between HEB and The Lewis are moving out; one of these businesses moved into the commercial space where Pei Wei used to be located.

Adam Wilson with Friends of Shipe Park gave an update on Shipe Pool.

• Shipe Pool is now also open Sundays from noon to 7 pm.

Announcements

- Kevin Heyburn announced that the next general HPNA meeting (in August) will be a social gathering (with ice cream!). This has been a tradition for the August meeting. The meeting will be on Saturday, August 7, at 7:00 pm. The location will be Shipe Park, in the area outside the pool near the log cabin.
- Look for additional information on the HPNA website.
- Betsy Clubine announced that Friends of Shipe Park and the HPNA plan on hosting a movie night at Shipe Park on October 23. More details to come.

Michele thanked the presenters and attendees for participating and adjourned the meeting.

- Submitted by Ben Reid HPNA Secretary

# Financial Education for Families

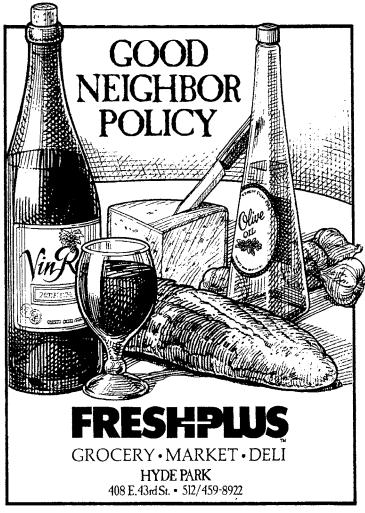
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## Re-learning to Ride a Bicycle

I began my 75th year on this earth, in June, And I have been treating myself all month, Got me a fancy sports watch - nosey, bossy, but I can tread water in the pool and know what time it is, i.e., how long I have been at it. Well, I also bought a bicycle, a Linus cruiser, In case you don't know, there are lots of different Kinds of bikes but the "cruiser" fit my needs to a tee. I have not had a bicycle since I was 12, that's 62 years If you are counting, a long damn time, anyway you look at it, So, we always hear/say, "It's like riding a bike, you never Forget," Yes, but what you don't remember, because None of it existed, are helmets (yes, I got one), hand signals, (It's a good thing I learned to drive in a car without Turn signals), bike lanes (some cars ignore them), oh, And gears – my last bike had brakes that initiated when You pedaled backward, not much, just a press down, It's not that hand brakes didn't exist, they just did not exist On any bike I ever had, so, I am re-learning bike riding, Bravely, I ride along on 38th street, in the bike lane, I practice my hand signals even though, there is rarely Anyone behind me and I have to say, I really appreciate My neighborhood that is F-L-A-T (this can be an issue), And 4-way stop signs, and roundabouts, so, I feel safe, I am thinking of creating a triathlon for us oldies: Paddle, pedal, waddle, and, for me, I will take Just as long as I want.

> – Herzele 07/08/21

## The Caswell House... ...cont'd from page 1

First Evangelical Free Church, where Amanda played piano for her Sunday School. Albert also served on the Executive Board of the Scandinavian Free Church Association of Texas. Albert died in 1958, but Amanda continued to occupy the Caswell House until her death in 1963.

The house passed through several owners until Sue Ellen Bass purchased it in 1984 to use as rental property.

Vernon R. Whittington and Pamela Pruitt Whittington discovered the house while searching for a central Austin home in 1997. Despite its decline, it retained its historic appearance: A Craftsman bungalow with a low-pitched, cross-gabled roof, eves with wide overhangs and exposed rafter tails, recessed front porch with large square columns, and wooden casement and sash windows. After their purchase and restoration of the house, it became a Historic Landmark property in 2009. It is one of only a few brick Arts and Crafts homes in Hyde Park north of 45th Street.

# Lettuce Recycle! by Dena Houston



#### RECYCLING ON THE ROAD

n a recent road trip, it became apparent that recycling collection bins are often nonexistent. Gas stations (where we clean the trash out of our car) don't always have these bins. In addition, there is no recycling collection at any of the highway rest or picnic areas in Texas.

What to do?

As we were having lunch at a picnic area near Abilene, I looked at our aluminum drink cans, looked at the trashcan, and had to make a decision - throw them away or hang on to them for the week we would be traveling. I knew these cans wouldn't be going into my landfill, but I just couldn't throw them into another community's garbage dump.

So, we made a decision. We set

up a recycling collection bag in the car and a box in the cabin we rented in Cloudcroft. At the end of our trip, we brought a week's worth of recyclables back to Austin and put them into our single stream recycling bin.

#### MORE TRAVEL RECYLING IDEAS

- · Carry reusable bags for shopping. Many places (especially in Europe) either charge for bags or don't provide them.
- Carry a refillable water bottle. This reduces plastic waste. Also, refillable bottles often are insulated.
- Carry non-plastic eating utensils. Take a fork, serrated knife, and spoon for each person.
- Use plastic containers for restaurant leftovers and so forth. They are easily washed and a great item to use for packing delicate souvenirs for the trip home.



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1)NAPOLEON; 2)FERRARO; 3) BARACK OBAMA; 4)MARY SHELLEY; 5)COUNT BASIE; 6) JULIA CHILD; 7)GENE KELLY; 8) BALDWIN; 9)MATA HARI; 10) CROCKETT; 11)WHITNEY; 12) BILLY BOB; 13)FIDEL CASTRO; 14) MONTESSORI; 15)ARMSTRONG; 16)ARAFAT; 17)MAE WEST; 18) SCOPES; 19)AL ROKER; 20) GOETHE; 21)HALLE BERRY; 22) DER BRAT



#### **RECYCLING CHEAT SHEET FOR THE BLUE BIN**

As the author of Lettuce Recycle, I receive many recycling questions. Below is a cheat sheet for recycling. It doesn't address all recycling questions, but it helps provide a basic understanding of what can and cannot go into the blue curbside bin.

- 1. Nothing smaller than a credit card.
- 2. No mixed materials, for example, plastic soap pump with metal spring, candy wrappers, orange juice cartons, waxed paper coffee cups.
- 3. No contaminated paper products, for example, wet paper (even if dried out), pizza boxes, paper with food product on it.

4. Nothing that can wrap around sorting machinery or that poses a danger at the recycling facility, for example, plastic bags, wire coat hangers, rope, garden hoses, hypodermic needles, or aerosol cans with anything in them. Empty aerosol cans can go into the blue bin.

5. Lid rules: All glass jars need to have their lids removed. Keep all plastic lids on plastic bottles and containers. All separate lids smaller than a credit card go into the trash.

6. Shredded paper does NOT go into the blue recycling bin. If it is contained in a paper or compost bag, it can go into the green curbside compost bin.

 PLEASE REMEMBER -WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT!

 Remember the City of Austin recycling website: http://www.austintexas.gov/what-do-i-do.

 Stay tuned for future tips for creative ways to recycle or reuse. If you have any questions or recy-cling ideas, please send them to recycling@hpwbana.org.



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