

When: 7:00 pm Monday, February 3, 2020 Where: Griffin School 5001 Evans Avenue

Note: HPNA meetings usually take place on the first Monday of each month..

HPNA General Meeting Agenda for February

- ➡ Welcome
- Introductions: Local Candidates*
- Presentation and Q&A: Google Fiber Installation, Daniel Lucio, Government and Community Affairs Manager
- ✤ Announcements

*Candidates running for local or state office are welcome to a few minutes of introduction at the start of our monthly meetings.

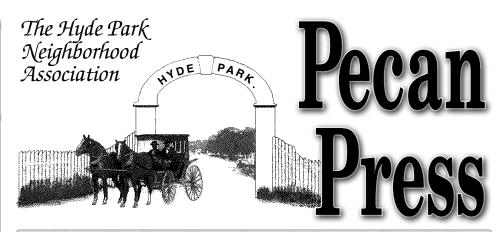
Shipe Park Update

Alison Young and Jack Nokes of Friends of Shipe Park met on January 6 with Ellen Colfax, PARD Historic Preservation Project Manager, and representatives of Phoenix I Restoration.



Phoenix I, a Dallas company, has contracted with the Austin Parks Foundation to complete the work on the Shipe Park Log Cabin. They began work several days

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Austin Marathon Runs through Hyde Park

On February 16, 7 am to 2 pm, the 29th Austin Marathon will welcome approximately 16,000 runners. Hyde Park streets that will accommodate runners include Guadalupe, Speedway, Red River, Duval, 38th, 41st, and 45th. The map, key closures, and travel tips below are reproduced from the *Austin Marathon Traffic Guide*.

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From the Desk of the Co-Presidents

Greetings,

Before launching into an update on the land development code rewrite, we'd like to applaud Alamo Drafthouse for a beautiful renovation of the Baker School and to thank them for opening their doors to the neighborhood on January 15. If you missed the open house, don't worry: the Baker School will be featured on the 2020 Homes Tour!

The next HPNA meeting will be held Monday, February 3, 7:00 pm at the Griffin School, 5001 Evans. It will open with brief introductions from a few candidates for local office (all candidates are welcome to three minutes), followed by a presentation and Q&A by Daniel Lucio, Government and Community Affairs Manager with

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Google Fiber. He will outline their construction phases, provide updates, and take questions from residents. Please feel free to invite friends from North University, North Loop, and other adjacent areas.

As you know, Austin City Council held the first of three votes on the proposed code rewrite in December. The version that passed on first reading upzones all of Duval Street and much of 38th Street, Avenue A, and Avenue H (6 to 10 units allowed on every lot); and upzones two to 10 lots on either side of these streets, including parts of Avenues B and G (4 to 8 units allowed on everv lot). The rest of Hyde Park is designated F25, which means current zoning will be maintained as a placeholder until the city can update those areas, as well. The second of three required Council votes is in February.

We support smart changes to the Land Development Code that will add additional housing capacity in our neighborhood, but we do not support this whole-scale transformation of the community. At the January HPNA meeting, members voted to petition in opposition to changes to Hyde Park's zoning overlays, and by the time you're reading this letter, you might have been contacted to sign the petition. This effort is distinct from the FileYourProtest effort in that it's on behalf of a specific overlay rather than individual properties.

If the protest is accepted by the city, it seems that the process for rezoning the NCCDs would have



to begin again, starting with providing notice of the changes to all property owners in the neighborhood. We hope that if this occurs, we will be able to work with the city and with neighbors in an inclusive public process to add unit capacity in the neighborhood. Examples of this might be allowing ADUs everywhere, increasing entitlements to allow more units on larger lots, and enhanced residential density in commercial areas. If you have questions or comments, contact *hydeparkna@gmail.com* for more information.

Thanks,

 Betsy Clubine & Sarah Cook Co-Presidents



Austin Police Department Hyde Park Liaison

In Memoriam Lynwood Curtis "Lyn" Krause

ynwood Curtis "Lyn" Krause passed away after a Lingering illness on Wednesday, February 20, 2019, at the age of 85 years, in Austin, Texas. His loving wife Winifred Kay Krause and his children were by his side at the end. Lyn was born to Albert Emil Krause and Elfriede Sophie Melchior Krause at the old Seton Hospital in Austin, and his family spent the first year and a half of his life at 4007 Avenue C in Austin's Hyde Park Addition before moving to 4106 Duval Street in 1935. He lived there with his parents and two older sisters, Wilby Lee Krause Kidd and Arlyn Jean Krause Merrill. He attended Austin public schools, was a charter student at Robert E. Lee Elementary, transferred to Baker School, University Junior High, and finally to Austin High School. He then attended The University of Texas School of Engineering where he received his BS degree in Electrical Engineering.

In 1956, Lyn moved to Tucson, Arizona, where he served in the USAF from 1956 until 1959 and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the USAF in 1956. He was assigned as Communications Officer of the 43rd Air Refueling Squadron at Davis-Monthan AFB in Tucson, Arizona, a unit of the Strategic Air Command, during the Cold War with the USSR. He was honorably discharged from active duty in 1959 and returned to Austin after briefly working for Texas Instruments in Dallas. He was later discharged from the USAF, having attained the rank of Captain in the USAF Reserve.

Lyn worked at the University of Texas Balcones Research Center in the Millimeter Wavelength Technology and Radio Astronomy departments

> before joining Tracor, Inc. in 1964. He married Winifred Kay Strickland in July, 1967. He retired in 1994 at the age of 60. He was a Texas Registered Professional Engineer for over 50 years, from 1964 until his death. He is survived by his loving wife of 51 1/2 years, Kay; son Curtis Brett Krause and wife Teresa; daughter Kimberly Dyanne Krause; son Daryl Glyn Krause and wife Trisha; five grandchildren; and four great grandchildren.

The family grew together as Lutherans and attended the old Saint Martin's Evangelical Lutheran Church at 14th Street and Congress Avenue. In 1949 they left Saint Martin's to form a new congregation, Faith Lu-

Lyn Krause

theran Church, at Woodrow and Brentwood. In their later years, Lyn and Kay cared for Lyn's mother and daddy, who never moved away from the Duval home they had purchased in 1935. In 1991, Lyn and Kay purchased the Duval home and Lyn continued to enjoy his childhood home until his death.

Lyn was born a Hyde Parker and was proud to be one for his entire life.



N	lembership Informati	Submission Information					
 Membership in HPNA is open to all residents 18 years or older residing within the boundaries of Hyde Park or within 300 feet of its boundaries. All memberships expire on September 30th of each year. New members and members who lapse in dues for over six months are eligible to vote at HPNA meetings 30 days after receipt of dues. Membership dues can be paid in several ways: By signing up at an HPNA meeting or event, by mailing in the membership form, or by joining online using PayPal. To pay online, go to <i>www.austinhydepark.org</i> and click on the Join Now button. Dues paid online are \$6. 			 Send your articles, letters, and photos by the 10th of each month to Lorre Weidlich at <i>lweidlich@mail2sevenseas.com</i>. Opinion articles & letters to the editor must not exceed 500 words. Send your poems to Charlotte Herzele at herzele@gmail.com. All poems, even if written under a pen name, must include a name and contact information for identification and verification purposes. 				
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Median Days on Market	14 Days	14 Days	25 Days

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All YTD data is pulled from Austin MLS for single family residences.



If we lived in New York, I would probably go to more plays. Not the expensive Broadway blockbusters, but off-broadway, seeing new works by talented writers and directors that are creative, low-budget, experimental, and interesting.

Fortunately for Hyde-Parkians (Hyde-Parksters?) we have a theatre that does what off-broadway theatre companies in New York typically do. When I was first here and biking around the neighborhood, I was turning around on W. 43rd after Avenue A trying to avoid Guadalupe when I stopped dead in my (bike) tracks before the big sign "Hyde Park Theatre." I was amazed that this neighborhood is so cool (or, to use Austin parlance, "weird") that it had its own playhouse. What a great haunt! It was an opportunity to schedule a perfect Hyde Park evening – walk to dinner at Asti (or Vino Vino or New World Deli) and then walk to theatre.

I sat down with Ken Webster, the artistic director of the Hyde Park Theatre, to get his take on what goes on there and their relationship with the neighborhood.

Built in 1947, the Hyde Park Theatre was originally a....post office? Ken told me the basic building was architecturally the prototype of post WWII-era government standard-issue post office buildings. The Hyde Park Showplace was begun in 1982. Linalice Carey was a pioneer in the local theatre scene and wanted a place to do kid's puppet shows on Saturdays. She would also use the space to rent to local theatre companies. The space changed leaders a couple times and in 1993 Vicky Boone of Frontera productions created FronteraFest. The name came from the Spanish "frontera," which means border, or boundary, or fringe. Theatre that is at the edge. FronteraFest has been a huge success and happening RIGHT NOW - probably as you are reading this. Running January 14 through February 15, FronteraFest is produced in collaboration with ScriptWorks, a local nonprofit that nurtures emerging playwrights and supports the creation of new dramatic works.

The concept is awesome. The vision for FronteraFest is a place for people to produce new work inexpensively for a live audience. Every night they present four or five new plays no longer than 25 minutes in length. To quote their website: "Brilliant monologues? Plays in progress? Comedy inprov? Cabaret singers? Avant-guarde dance? Short films? Multimedia? We've seen it all." Then, every Saturday night is a juried "best of the week" performance and the last week, February 9 to 13, is the "Best of the Fest," where you can see the most popular or best rated works of the festival. The 25-minutes-in-length plays are referred to as the "Short Fringe" part of the festival; there is also the "Long Fringe" part of the festival, with original plays 90 minutes or less at the Ground Floor Theatre at 979 Springdale Road. FronteraFest features over 800 local and national artists annually. It's the most inexpensive way to produce new stuff – there is no financial risk. The writers pay an entry fee and do the show. FronteraFest is more about performance over production values.

Ken has been with the Hyde Park Theatre since 1981. He had been, among many other things, a resident director at the Zachary Scott Theatre from 1986 to 1991. He received the B. Iden Payne Award for Outstanding Direction a number of years and the Austin Critics Table Award for direction in 2003 and 2012. He is the only Austin director to have been honored with awards for directing in each of the last four decades. In 2010, 2012, and 2013, he was voted Outstanding Theatre Director in the Austin Chronicle Reader's Poll. Ken has acted in and directed five Will Eno plays and has directed five plays by Annie Baker, mostly at the Hyde Park Theatre. In case you, like me, are uninitiated into the world of modern American playwrights, these authors are talented. Will Eno is a playwright based in Brooklyn. His plays, like Thom Pain (based on nothing), The Realistic Jonses, and The Open House have been finalists for Pulitzer prizes, have been named best play on Broadway by USA Today and The Guard*ian,* and have been on top ten plays lists from *TIME* Magazine and Time Out New York. Annie Baker won the 2014 Pulitzer Prize for her play The Flick. She was named a MacArthur Fellow for 2017. Expect to see many Will Eno and Annie Baker plays at the Hyde Park Theatre.

Ken prefers the term "alternative theatre" to "fringe theatre" (sounds better to me, too). He has really good taste in plays and actors. The Hyde Park Theatre has a great company of actors. The *Austin Chronicle* did an article about the 40 best stage actors in Austin, and 11 of Hyde Park Theatre's actors were in the 40 best. There is a big following of local theatre in Austin. In recent years, however, it's become a bit

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harder to get people in seats – the arts and particularly theatre coverage in print media in Austin is getting smaller and smaller. It used to be that all plays were reviewed in local newspapers that people used to read. With the slow death of print media locally and nationally, it's harder to get the word out there and create a buzz about new shows. The *Austin Chronicle* is good about reviewing shows but its readership has become smaller. It was an important "note to self" for me: always read the *Austin Chronicle* to know the alternative scenes around town.

When I asked Ken what changes he has seen in the Hyde Park neighborhood over the years, he laughed and told me that in 1981 he could afford a house here. He's seen so many homes that were dilapidated back in the day be remodeled and upgraded. He feels Hyde Park has always been a hip, liberal neighborhood. A smart neighborhood.

I'd encourage everyone (as soon as they are finished reading this issue of the *Pecan Press*) to go to the Hyde Park Theatre website (*hydeparktheatre.org*) and grab tickets to FronteraFest or the other upcoming productions for this season. Grab the tickets now; they go fast and, well, the theatre isn't very big. There are only 70 seats that are all no farther than 20 feet from the stage. Ken wanted me to mention their sponsors, and while my column isn't about advertising I do think it's telling that they are Hyde Park businesses, including Asti Trattoria, Dane's Body Shop, New World Deli, The Parlor, and Sala and Betty. If you can't make any of this year's FronteraFest, Ken himself is doing the one-man show House by Daniel MacIvor, February 17 through March 28. The show has played the Hyde Park Theatre several times to sold-out audiences. And here's a tip: check out multiple Hyde Park Theatre clips on Vimeo. I think it's about time I became an alternative theatre fan. I'll see y'all at the show...and then maybe Asti? But only on a warm night so we can walk.

About the author: I'm a temporary stay-at-home dad of twin 12-year-olds. I crash landed in Hyde Park after a quick move from California to help my aging in-laws. Amazed and intrigued by this funky neighborhood, I get to spend some time hanging out here. I'm constantly fascinated by the people, places, and stories that make this such a unique corner of such a unique city. Comments? Troygilbert512@gmail.com



Monthly Calendar February

- 3 HPNA Meeting
- 6 DRC Meeting
- 10 Steering Committee Meeting
- 14 Recycling Pickup
- 27 Barbara Attwell Exhibit Opening Reception at Ney Museum
- 28 Recycling Pickup
- 29 Elisabet Ney Nature Day at Ney Museum

Around & About the Avenues

Floodplain Changes Affecting Hyde Park. If your home is within a block of Waller Creek, check the new floodplain maps at *https://www.austintexas.gov/FloodPro/#/FloodProIntro* to determine how your home is affected by the floodplain changes.

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Hyde Park Resident Declares Candidacy for Travis County Office. Hyde Parker Laurie Eiserloh, of Avenue C, is an official candidate for the Democratic nomination for Travis County Attorney. Laurie has 27 years of experience as a civil attorney; in the words of the Austin Chronicle (September 13, 2019), "As a longtime civil attorney, Eiserloh has a lengthy résumé with the state, city, county, and nonprofits and, at first glance, seems centrally qualified for the office." Her experience ranges from executive director of the Lesbian and Gay Rights Lobby of Texas (now Equality Texas), just out of law school, to her current position as the leader of the county's employment law team. She is also a lifelong community volunteer. For a description of her proposed improvements to the operations of the County Attorney's office, see "Assistant County Attorney Joins Race to Fill David Escamilla's Post" (https://www.austinchronicle.com/news/2019-09-13/assistant-county-attorney-joins-race-to-fill-david-escamillas-post/).

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THE VILLAGE

HPNA General Meeting Minutes: January 6, 2020

The monthly meeting of the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association was called to order by co-President Betsy Clubine at 7:08 pm on January 6, 2020 at the Griffin School, 5001 Evans Avenue.

The first agenda item was a vote on the ASH transitional housing resolution. The resolution endorses the goal of providing housing and outpatient mental health services on the ASH campus. It will be sent to Mike Maples, Deputy Commissioner of Texas Health and Human Services Health and Specialty Care Systems, and to Dr. Stephen Strakowski, University of Texas Dell Medical School. Additional suggested recipients are State Senator Kirk Watson, Governor Greg Abbott, Mayor Steve Adler, and members of the Austin City Council. The resolution states, "The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association supports the creation of transitional housing on the Austin State Hospital campus for persons with serious mental health issues who are also experiencing homelessness." This resolution supports Dr. Strakowski's comments to HPNA in December, 2018 that the current model of mental health services emphasizes outpatient treatment. The resolution passed unanimously by a vote of 36 in support, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

The second agenda item was a vote on the proposed 2020 HPNA budget. Co-President Clubine first reviewed 2019 HPNA expenses, which were less than expected. Regarding revenue, the organization benefited from a large turnout for the November Historic Homes Tour, leaving a greater than anticipated amount in reserves. Betsy Clubine than went through the 2020 budget items, which includes funds dedicated to addressing the proposed Land Development Code and to completing work on several traffic circles. One member suggested that HPNA become a member of Preservation Austin, which was approved by consensus. The 2020 HPNA budget passed by a vote of 36 in support, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

Co-President Sarah Cook reported on the progress of the Shipe Park pool project, communicated to HPNA by Jack Nokes of Friends of Shipe Park. The preservation work on the Log Cabin is about to begin,



with an expected completion date of February 15. Exterior fencing for the pool is scheduled to be removed in the next few weeks. Some members complained about the cracked surface of the basketball court in Shipe Park and were advised to call 311, which logs complaints and refers issues to the proper department.

The third agenda item concerned proposed protest petitions against the LDC. Co-President Cook briefly reviewed the history of efforts by HPNA leadership to cooperate with city officials on expanding housing opportunities in our neighborhood, beginning early in 2019. Despite the expressed assurances of Mayor Adler that the new map for Hyde Park would "not be that bad," the draft LDC released in the fall proposed deep incursions of intensive zoning into the neighborhood. Conversations with city representatives revealed enthusiasm for increasing the tax base through city-wide zoning changes, but little concern about neighborhood impact. Given the mayor's stated intention to move quickly to pass the LDC, HPNA leadership proposes to the membership a protest petition against the proposed new code's override of the two NCCDs (Neighborhood Conservation Combining District) and the LHD (Local Historic District), which went through a lengthy process of collaboration between the neighborhood and the city and required City Council approval. This protest petition will require signatures from the owners of 20% of the total property area within each district. The schedule to complete and submit the petition is mid-February, before the third and final reading of the LDC. Discussion followed about the specific contents of the petition and the political and economic motives behind the LDC. There was wide consensus that Hyde Park had few options given the pace of city action on the new code. Sarah Cook asked the membership to approve a resolution supporting HPNA's efforts to organize and execute efforts to collect signatures on a petition to protest the city's rezoning of the two NCCDs and the LHD. The resolution passed unanimously, 35 in support, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

- Susan Marshall HPNA Co-Secretary



Baker School Open House

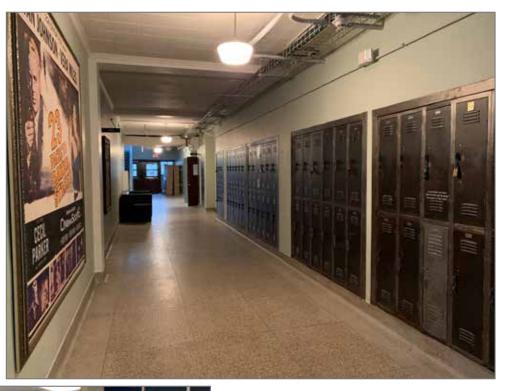




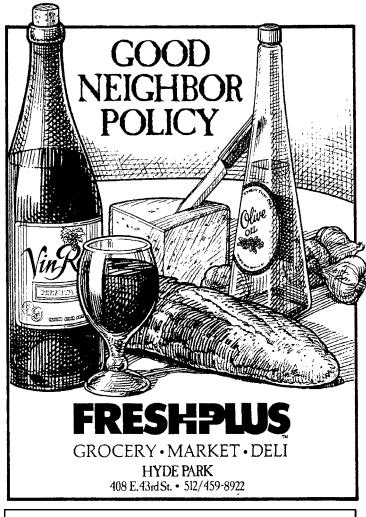
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n Wednesday, January 15, Ålamo Drafthouse opened the doors of a newly restored Baker School to the Hyde Park neighborhood. Layers of material accumulated through decades had been removed, and each part of the school appeared as it had at the time it was built. Alamo employees were there to conduct tours of the building; and architect Richard Weiss, who supervised the restoration, was there to answer questions.

Anyone unable to attend need not worry, because the school will be open to the public again this fall, for the 2020 Hyde Park Homes Tour.







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by Dena Houston

THE RECYCLING JOURNEY

What happens to those items we carefully put into our recycling bins? We know they no longer go to the landfill, but what do they become? Below is the journey of eight items that we recycle. In some cases, these new items return to stores and store shelves within 30 days.

JOURNEY OF A CEREAL BOX - I BECAME A GAME BOARD!

Cereal box cardboard is sorted from other paper products into specific grades and types of fibers. At the paper mill, the fiber is fed into a hydrapulper where it is mixed with water and turned into slurry that will be used in the papermaking process. The wet slurry is spread onto a cloth or wire web where it is formed into multilayered paperboard, similar to a three-layer cake.

Wrapped around drying drums like a ribbon, the paperboard is dried and then wound into rolls – 100 inches wide and five feet in diameter – weighing about two tons, ready to be shipped for converting into an end product like a game board.

JOURNEY OF A STEEL CAN – I BECAME A BICYCLE!

As material moves along a conveyor belt, the steel cans are removed by a very powerful magnet. They are baled and shipped to a steel mill, where they are mixed with other metal such as automobile parts. The steel is melted in a furnace at nearly 3000 degrees. It is then cast into slabs, cut into sections, and used for products like bicycle frames.



JOURNEY OF A STYROFOAM CUP - I BECAME THE INSULATION IN YOUR ATTIC!

Styrofoam cups, meat trays, egg cartons, and so forth are collected in Austin at the Recycle & Reuse Drop-Off Center. The center has a machine that shreds the styrofoam to condense it so it is suitable for shipping. The condensed foam is then sent to various manufacturing facilities to be made into baseboards, crown molding, and attic insulation.

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JOURNEY OF A PLASTIC BAG - I BECAME A PARK BENCH!

Retail plastic bags, bread bags, flexible plastic packaging from paper towels and toilet paper, and so forth are collected at the plastics collection bins at grocery stores. They are turned into pellets that are used to make more plastic bags, durable outdoor decks and fences, deck furniture, and park benches.

JOURNEY OF AN OLD COMPUTER - I BECAME A WEDDING RING!

There are many ways to recycle old electronics. If they are still in working condition, they can be donated to various non-profits for reuse or returned to the manufacturer for refurbishing and reselling. The Recycle & Reuse Drop-Off Center will accept all electronics, whether or not they are in working condition.

Electronics that cannot be reused or refurbished can be disassembled. They contain valuable precious metals such as gold, silver, platinum, palladium, copper, tin, and zinc. These are recovered and used in a number of ways, including jewelry (a wedding ring), new electronics, and automotive parts. Plastic components can be used in new electronic devices or other plastic products such as garden furniture.

JOURNEY OF A PLASTIC SHAMPOO BOTTLE - I BECAME ANOTHER SHAMPOO BOTTLE!

Shampoo bottles made from HDPE (high density polyethylene) are ground into small chips of plastic called "flakes." The flakes are turned into pellets that are then melted, molded, and made into new shampoo bottles.

JOURNEY OF A GLASS BOTTLE - I BECAME A GLASS COUNTER TOP!

At a recycling facility, rotating metal discs on a conveyor belt break the glass. It is then placed on a vibrating screen and hit with gusts of air to remove dirt, paper, and other debris. After that, the glass is crushed into cullets. Finally, the cullets are melted down and made into a new glass container or a glass product such as a counter top.

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 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 recycling ideas, please send them to recycling@hpwbana.org.

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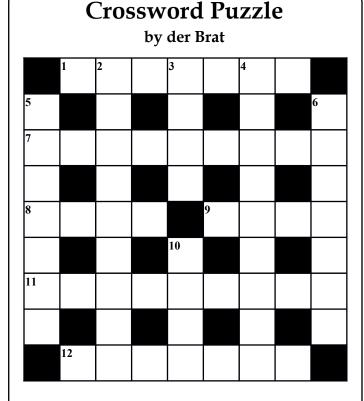
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- 8. Don't lose this or you'll be without your magic!
- 9. She's your friend in France.
- 11. Made again.
- 12. Utilize not so much because it's without value?

DOWN

- 2. Pancakes made with oats.
- 3. Lessens
- 4. Your kids may meet them at Shipe Park.
- 5. Remember your chemistry? Glucose and fructose are these of each other.
- 6. The things put in later.
- 10. One person will do this in most card games.

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News from the Ney

On Thursday, February 27, the museum will open a very special indoor and outdoor exhibition by Austinite Barbara Attwell! Entitled "Rewylding," this exceptional engagement will feature Barbara's remarkable feltworks. Informed by both Celtic and Mongolian folk practices, she uses very specific wool to craft wearable art clothing imbued with magic to allow one to communicate with nature (crows, mountains, and so forth). These felted outfits will share indoor gallery space with smaller sculptural felt works on pedestals. Several of these will be new pieces made specifically for this show.

Outside the building, her art and practice will meet in a site-specific collection of felted pods hanging from trees, larger felted sculpture, and felt wildlife habitats. For glimpses of her work, see her website at *http://barbaraattwell.net/fiber*. Her exhibition will run from its public opening reception on Thursday, February 27, 6:30 to 8:30 pm, through Sunday, April 26.

Elisabet Ney Nature Day will also happen late this month, on Saturday, February 29. Come learn about nature in and around our native prairie oasis in the heart of the city. Landscapes are always dynamic, changing and growing every second of every day. So are our urban critters, both airborne and land-based. How can we make our backyards more natural? We'll have tables featuring local environmental outreach programs, rescue groups, bird watchers, interactive activities, environmental art projects for kids and grownups, and more. A talk about owls at 2 pm will be followed by a gallery talk by Barbara Attwell at 3. TreeFolks will also be giving away saplings. Keep an eye on the Ney's Facebook page or join its email list for updates.

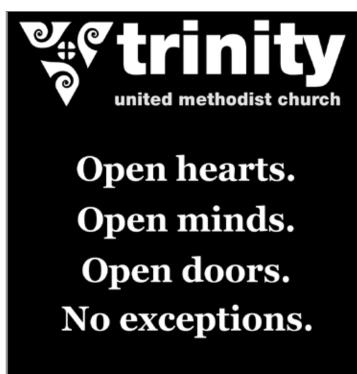
Early February, of course, features the continuing show of the art and printwork of Kim Bishop of San Antonio. Entitled "Paradise," it features Kim's lushly robust 2 ' x 4' prints hanging alongside the woodcut boards themselves, which have been artfully transformed into works of art themselves. The show closes on Sunday, February 16. With Paradise, the Ney continues its participation in PrintAustin, the annual month-long celebration of print arts. See *www.printaustin.org* for more information.



Ash Open House for the Hospital Project

In January, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission and the Dell Medical School co-hosted two open houses to inform the public about the upcoming construction of the Austin State Hospital, which broke ground last fall. The meeting included presentations by Mike Maples, Deputy Executive Commissioner for the HHSC's Health and Specialty Care System, and Dr. Stephen Strakowski, inaugural chair of the Psychiatry Department at UT's Dell Medical School. A walking tour led by HHS staff followed their presentation.

HHSC contracted with Dell Medical School to design the hospital project, led by Dr. Strakowski. He assembled a steering committee responsible for developing a master plan for the new hospital, composed of over 100 specialists in mental health, law enforcement, and design as well as representatives of community-hospital and peer-support groups. The report was completed in 2018. With a budget of \$305 million, the new hospital is scheduled to open in June 2023. It will contain 240 beds configured as single-bed rooms with private bathrooms. The design will follow a step system, so that patients will move from 8-bed units into larger clusters as their health improves. Design features include abundant natural lighting, porch and courtyard access, gardens, a greenhouse, bank, gym, café, and general store. The hospital will be located on the southwest corner of campus, near Lamar Boulevard. The hospital will face inward, so the ASH entrance will remain at its current location at Guadalupe and 41st Street. During hospital construction, patients will continue to reside in existing buildings. The intention is to limit construction noise to normal business hours and limited impact on local traffic is anticipated.



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The speakers made very clear that the appropriated funds are for the new hospital only. Their plans do not include repurposing existing buildings for other mental health services, such as outpatient treatment, but they anticipate such plans will be a next step. Since the state does not operate out-patient services, this phase will involve outreach to other mental health institutions. Dr. Strakowski was very explicit that the guiding principle of the design was "People First." On that basis, he defended the decision to demolish historic buildings to make room for the new hospital, including the African-American dorms and cafeteria, the mattress factory, and the laundry. The costs of relocating these buildings would be prohibitive and would reduce the hospital's budget, he explained.

Mike Maples outlined the alternative plan to recognize the historic value of the ASH campus. The state has subcontracted to document the buildings to be demolished, including still and aerial photographs and detailed floor plans. It has hired archeologists to use ground-penetrating radar, followed by excavations to investigate areas of historical interest. One of these experts has unearthed the foundations of older segregated dorms and is working to locate an early cemetery. The plan is to renovate an existing building (#540) and, once construction is complete, repurpose it as a historical center. Working with an unnamed cultural consultant, Mr. Maples said the intention is to create a historical showplace that will tell the story of ASH, the evolving treatment of mental illness, and the period of racial segregation.

The campus walking tour pointed out the numerous buildings slated for demolition, which will not occur until the removal of hazardous materials is completed. One structure that will remain is the old power plant, which still serves the ASH campus. However, HHS plans to convert Pecan Park into a parking lot, although they asserted their intention to preserve the pecan trees. They reassured the group that ASH campus will remain open for bicycle and pedestrian transit, albeit with new, straighter roads. To view the complete report, *ASH Brain Health System Redesign*, go to *ashredesign.org*.

– Susan Marshall



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University/Hyde Park - This area is bounded by 15th St., Guadalupe St., 45th St, and I-35.

Key Closures

Street	From	То	Times	Status
15th St.	Lamar Blvd.	Guadalupe St.	6 AM to 11 AM	All eastbound lanes closed. Crossing Guadalupe on west- bound 15th is not possible.
MLK Blvd.	Guadalupe St.	Guadalupe St.	6 AM to 11 AM	Closed
Guadalupe St.	MLK Blvd.	15th St.	6 AM to 11 AM	1 lane open southbound. All traf- fic will be turned west at 15th St.
Guadalupe St.	MLK Blvd.	W. 38th St.	6 AM to 11:30 AM	Northbound reduced to 1 lane. All lanes open southbound.
38th St.	Guadalupe St.	Speedway	6 AM to 11:30 AM	Eastbound closed.
Speedway	38th St.	45th St.	6 AM to 11:30 AM	Northbound closed.
45th St.	Speedway	Red River St.	6 AM to 11:30 AM	Eastbound closed.
Red River St.	E. 45th St.	41st St.	6 AM to 11:30 AM	Lane reductions.
41st St.	Red River St.	Duval St.	6 AM to 11:30 AM	Closed.
Duval St.	41 St.	San Jacinto Blvd.	6 AM to 12 PM	Southbound closed.
San Jacinto Blvd.	Duval St.	E. Dean Keeton St.	6 AM to 12 PM	Southbound closed.
E. Dean Keeton St.	San Jacinto Blvd.	I-35	6 AM to 12 PM	1 eastbound lane open. West- bound lanes open to San Jacinto.

Travel tips for this zone:

- The area of Hyde Park bounded by Guadalupe, 45th, and Duval can be accessed during the race via San Jacinto and Speedway. Two-way traffic will be permitted at all times.
- The intersection at 15th St. and Guadalupe St. should be avoided.
- Westbound traffic on MLK Blvd. will be detoured south at Congress Ave.

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later and plan to work 10 hours per day, Monday through Thursday, for seven or eight weeks. Their estimated completion date is February 15. Their work will include log repairs to the walls, creating pucks of daubing to match samples removed from the walls, and demolition of the existing roof. They plan to finish the wall repairs prior to installing the new roof.

Also on January 6, representatives of PARD and Public Works conducted a walk-through at the pool. The project is nearing completion and the exterior fencing is expected to be removed before the end of January. In the words of Jack Nokes, "We, of course, will believe it when we see it, but they really are getting close and we hope to get our park back soon."

Pecan Press is online at www.austinhydepark.org

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JOURNEY OF AN ALUMINUM CAN - I BECAME ANOTHER ALUMINUM CAN!

As aluminum cans move along a conveyor belt, a special machine creates a reverse magnetic field that pushes them off the belt and into a bin. The cans are crushed and shredded into walnut-sized pieces. The pieces are screened to remove any non-aluminum materials and are then passed through a blast of very hot air to remove any paint or lacquer.

The shredded aluminum is fed into a furnace where it becomes molten metal. It is then poured into a mold. This cooled aluminum is called a "brick" or "ingot" and weighs 36,000 pounds. It takes 1.5 million cans to make an ingot. The ingot is then heated just enough to be rolled into a coil that is nine miles long. Manufacturers use this coil to make new aluminum cans and lids.

QUESTIONS FROM OUR READERS

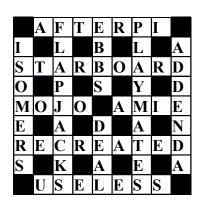
Is there an issue with compost contamination?

Yes, compost collected curbside is sometimes contaminated with glass and other non-compostable materials.

When the City collects the compost curbside, it is taken to Organics By Gosh to process. When it arrives, the Quality Assurance Team there sorts through the compost and pulls out glass, plastic, metal, and other contaminants by hand. This is a very difficult job. It is no fun for anyone to have to pick through someone else's food waste. After the initial sorting process, the compost material gets screened by machine. If the sorted pile is found to be contaminated (for example, glass is discovered in the pile), that pile will be abandoned and sent to the landfill. If the load the City brings in is so contaminated that the Quality Assurance Team can't even sort through it, the entire load goes directly to the landfill, rendering tons of material useless.

Crossword Puzzle Answers from page 15

- ACROSS 1. AFTER PI 7. STARBOARD 8. MOJO 9. AMIE 11. RECREATED 12. USELESS
- DOWN 2. FLAPJACKS 3. EBBS 4. PLAYMATES 5. ISOMERS 6. ADDENDA 10. DEAL



Hyde Park Poets

Sentiment

A purple flower I do not know its name Handed to me thru the car window By my Father As we drove away From our stay at his home. No words As we looked at each other And smiled. The flower said it all As I placed it behind my ear And wore it With him in mind And Heart.

— Lisa Fox



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515 EAST 49TH ST.

Beautiful Craftsman home custom built in 2000. Approx 3,700 SF with 5 BR, 3.5 BA, 3 LIV plus 800 SF 1 BR, 1BA garage apt. Pool, decks, porches.

Listed at \$1,395,000



509 EAST 38-1/2 TH ST.

Located on quiet shady street near Hancock Golf Course. This 1939 cottage is ready for restoration and/or addition. 2 BR, 1 BA, 2 LIV, formal dining, detached garage. Listed at \$525,000



4310 AVENUE G

Ideal investment property in heart of Hyde Park. Vintage triplex on oversized lot just a half block from Shipe Park. 3/2, 2/2, 1/1 with total rental income of \$5,550/mo. Listed at \$975,000



704 LANDON LN.

Unique and whimsical 1936 Spanish Revival stucco cottage with separate quest quarters. Main house has 2 BR, 1 BA with updated kitchen. Incredible perennial gardens . Listed at \$799,000



506 WEST 33RD ST.

Hemphill Park Townhome. Spacious 2-story brick traditional with 2 BR, 2.5 BA, 3 LIV, private courtyard, 2car attached garage. Within walking distance to Central Market & UT. Listed at \$685,000



403 WEST 37TH ST.

Classic 1930s bungalow on popular Christmas lights street. 2 BR, 1 BA, updated kitchen, formal dining plus breakfast nook. Beautiful long leaf pine floors throughout.

Listed at \$2,400/mo.



3306-B HARRIS PARK AVE.

Available now! 2 BR, 1 BA unit in 1930s brick duplex. Updated with new appliances, refinished floors, screened porch. Looks out on treetops. Walking distance to U.T. Listed at 2,100/mo.

608 EAST 48TH ST.

Modern Craftsman Hyde Park home recently updated with open kitchen, spacious great room and master suite addition. 3 BR, 3 BA, 2 LIV, front and back covered porches. Listed at \$749,000

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