

September Meeting

HPNA General Meeting Agenda for September 12

Hybrid Meeting: In person at Griffin School Auditorium (5001 Evans Avenue 78751) and on Zoom (login information below)

- Welcome
- Update on Fire Station Festival
- Update on Historic Homes Tour
- Update on Candidates Forum
- Discussion and Vote on Amended HPNA Bylaws
- Announcements

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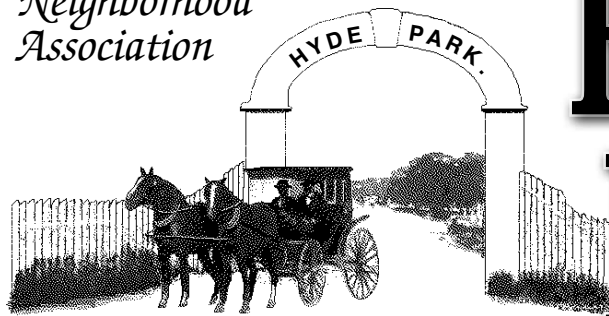
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Fire Station Festival

On October 23, 2022, the Fire Station Festival will take place from 4 to 6 pm, continuing its fifty year support of the neighborhood landmark. Co-chairs Ashley Aarons and Stefanie Bertram organized the event to combine favorite past activities with new traditions. The children's costume parade will begin at Shipe Park at 3:30 pm and will end at Fire Station #9 at 4301 Speedway. To volunteer for this event, use the email sbfdc2@yahoo.com to search for the Hyde Park Fire Station Festival 2022 at signupgenius.com.

The Fire Station Festival, started by Dorothy Richter, began as an effort to save our neighborhood fire station. Deaton Bednar, longtime friend of Dorothy and HPNA resident, wrote the following summary of the event's origins, shared from Dorothy's personal papers and interview.

"They made her mad. It was October 1971. The city's decision to close the 1929 Fire Station #9 was not known in the neighborhood. No fire station close by meant life and property-threatening response times for emergencies. The planned closure wasn't considered newsworthy by the local newspaper. The city manager said the neighbors don't have anything to worry about. One of the council members thought the building could be a rehearsal space for Austin Ballet Society. Dorothy questioned the information touted as their reason for closure. This self-described 'quiet housewife' was mad and frustrated.

She needed to sound the alarm. How could the neighborhood's voices be heard, she wondered. A demonstration! Children riding around the station on bikes, trikes, and push carts with signs: 'Councilmen! Councilmen! Save our Station.' She called the press and TV stations. A newspaper photo shows one of the signs with 'Save us from Hell.' TV stations carried the story. Then came a neighborhood meeting. Council members' phone numbers distributed. Fifty residents packed the council chambers on the day the vote was to be made. The 'quiet housewife' wore a fireman's helmet to show that residents would have to save their own homes. But before she could present, the Mayor said the council members had been inundated with calls from irate citizens and recognized the large public turnout at the meeting. He wished to spare the group a needless discussion. It was moved, seconded, and passed to keep Fire Station #9 open.

What if this 'quiet housewife' had been quiet in 1971? Today, because of the voice of Dorothy Richter, the fire station building is newly renovated and has a plaque honoring her. We have an active neighborhood association and each year, we gather together to celebrate our community and Fire Station #9."

— Katie Turner

District 9 Candidates Forum

The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association, in collaboration with a number of other neighborhood associations in District 9, will be holding a Candidates' Forum on September 19 at Griffin School, 5001 Evans Avenue, at 7 pm.

HPNA co-Presidents Paul Smith and Kathy Jackson will be hosting the event. Interested viewers will be able to attend either in person or via Zoom (Zoom information will be provided on the neighborhood listserv closer to the date of the event).

Co-sponsoring neighborhood associations include Eastwood Neighbor Association, North University Neighbor Association,

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It was wonderful to see so many neighbors at the Ice Cream Social! A big Thank You to Katie and Marsha and Stephen for organizing it. We hope our announcement that it would be held an hour earlier than we originally announced reached everyone before the event. We decided we'd best move it up a bit because after last month's *Pecan Press* issue went to print we learned that Shipe Pool was going to close early on that day because of an appreciation event the city's Aquatics Department was holding for all of the lifeguards at the city's pools.

This month HPNA will be holding a City Council Candidate Forum on September 19 as well as our general meeting on September 12, both at the Griffin School. A number of District 9 neighborhood associations are collaborating in organizing it. Because of the very large number of candidates running to represent District 9, we

asked that questions be submitted by September 5 to Lorre Weidlich or Brendan Wittstruck. Our goal is to maximize the number of questions of wide neighborhood interest that all eight candidates can answer during the forum. A big thanks to Brendan for taking the lead on organizing the forum!

At our general meeting we will discuss and vote on the proposed bylaws revision that we discussed at our July meeting, together with some amendments that have been proposed to the revision. Our website is back up (unfortunately, a hack took it offline for part of

August), so you can review the proposed rewrite at www.austinhypark.org. It also is available in the July issue of the *Pecan Press*.

The Nominations Committee is hard at work recruiting neighbors to run for HPNA leadership positions at our elections in October. If you have an interest in serving as an officer or as an at-large Steering Committee member, please let the Nominations Committee know.

The Fire Station Festival is coming up next month and we encourage neighbors to consider becoming one of the army of volunteers required put it on. We are most grateful to Ashley Aarons and Stefanie Bertram for agreeing to co-chair the event this year.

The Homes Tour will be held on November 13 this year. Many neighbors volunteer as docents or house captains during the event; would you like to be one of them?

We are happy to announce that NCINC, the coalition of Austin's northern neighborhoods, voted to admit HPNA into its coalition. Kathy Jackson and Duncan Meisel have agreed to serve as HPNA's representatives to NCINC.

— Lisa Harris
Kevin Heyburn
Michele Grieshaber
HPNA Co-Presidents

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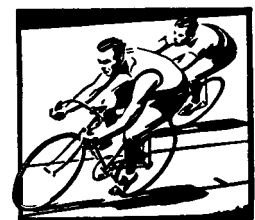
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Bylaws Vote

At its September meeting, the HPNA will vote on changes to its bylaws. The procedure, following *Roberts' Rules of Order*, will be as follows:

1. There will be a motion and a second to approve the bylaws as published in the July issue of the *Pecan Press*. The motion will then be open for discussion.
2. During the subsequent discussion, members may introduce amendments to the proposed bylaws. Previously suggested amendments are listed below, but members may introduce other amendments as well.
3. Each amendment will be discussed and voted on separately.
4. After all proposed amendments have been voted on, the published bylaws, as amended by membership votes during the discussion, will be voted on by the membership.

Suggested Amendments

Changes to existing language are in italics.

IV. Goals:

- Third bullet: To support and engage in activities and policies that promote social and economic diversity, equity, access, and inclusion in Hyde Park and among its residents and *take steps to acknowledge and remedy the legacy of Hyde Park's history as a segregated neighborhood.* – proposed by Duncan Meisel
- Fifth bullet: To promote the preservation and celebration of historically significant buildings *and features* in Hyde Park and to support and preserve the Elisabet Ney Museum. – proposed by Karen McGraw
- Sixth bullet: To participate in the observance of city zoning and *development* codes and to help address zoning and *development* concerns in Hyde Park and surrounding areas. – proposed by Karen McGraw

- Twelfth bullet: To work towards the establishment and maintenance of standards that preserve and enhance the unique character of Hyde Park *including the Hyde Park Neighborhood Plan, the Hyde Park NCCD, the North Hyde Park NCCD, the Hyde Park National Register District, and the Hyde Park Local Historic District.* – proposed by Karen McGraw

IX. Voting:

- Introductory paragraph: A recorded vote of the membership is required for the following *actions* as well as for any other issue for which a record is appropriate: – proposed by Karen McGraw

XII. Representatives and Committees, B. Standing Committees:

- Development Review Committee: This committee will deal with questions of proposed development within the boundaries of HPNA. If HPNA *desires* to provide an opinion to the City for a particular development case or *issue (such as a code change)*, the Development Review Committee will report its findings to the Steering Committee and the Steering Committee can vote in support or opposition. *Either committee* may also request that a developer present plans to *that* committee. The Steering Committee can decide to refer the case to the membership for vote. – proposed by Karen McGraw
- Preservation Committee: *This committee will receive and consider actions on review of properties in the historic district as well as any new proposals for designation or demolition. Its opinion will be conveyed to the DRC and Steering Committee.* – proposed by Karen McGraw

Membership 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.
- University students are free.
- 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 www.austinydepark.org and click on the **Join Now** button. Dues paid online are \$6.

Submission Information

- Send your articles, letters, and photos by the 10th of each month to Lorre Weidlich at lweidlich@mail2sevens.com.
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.

Hyde Park Neighborhood Association Membership Form

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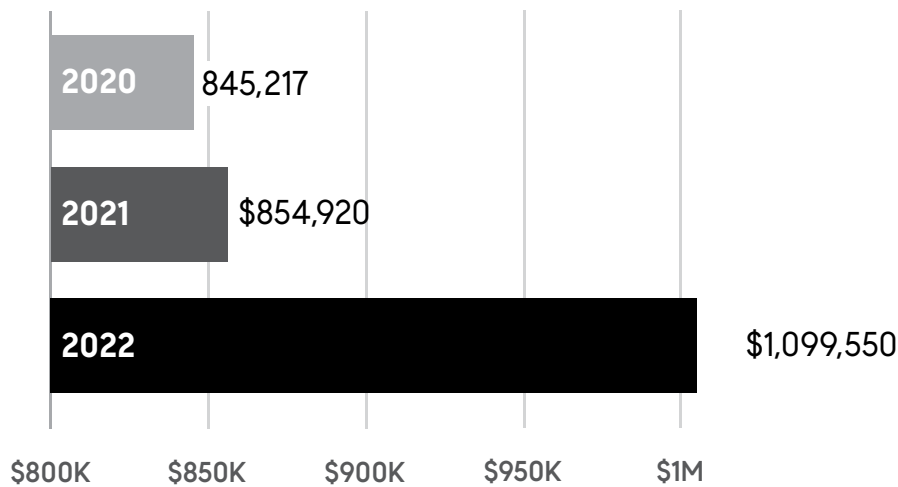
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Historic Homes Tour Seeks Sponsors and Volunteers

After a two-year hiatus, the Historic Hyde Park Homes Tour returns on Sunday, November 13. Tour headquarters for check-in and ticket purchase will be the former Baker School, now the Alamo Drafthouse offices. On-site headquarter attractions include a tour of the refurbished school, an Arts Fair, and live musical performances by Austin Classical Guitar.

This year's tour theme is "A Village within a City" and features six varied architectural styles, from Folk Victorian to early Craftsman and Tudor Revival. The newest home on the tour is an architectural project that took several decades to complete; its innovative design to optimize energy efficiency in a warming climate was ahead of its time.

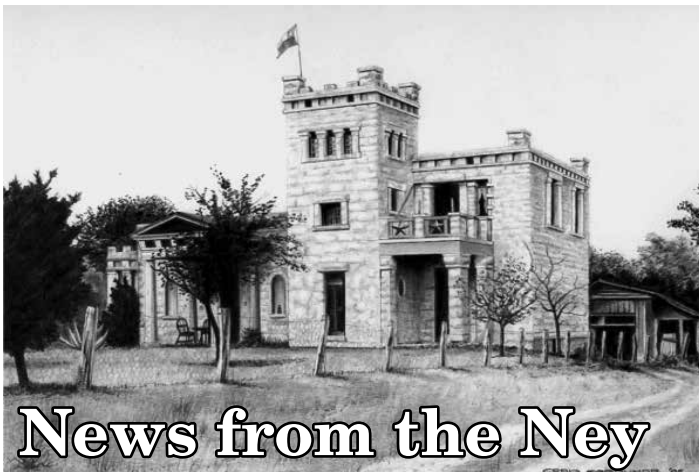
We invite you to become a Friend of the Tour. Contributors of \$100.00 and above receive two complimentary tour tickets and recognition as a Friend in the tour booklet. Your generous contribution helps to underwrite social occasions such as the Egg Scramble in Shipe Park, the Fire Station Festival, and many other family-friendly Hyde Park events. To become a Friend of the Tour, send a check payable to HPNA

to Susan Marshall, 4203 Avenue G, Austin, TX 78751. Deadline to receive recognition in the tour booklet is September 15.

Business sponsors begin at \$250 and receive additional free tickets and a tour booklet ad, among other benefits. Email Susan Marshall (pro47f@att.net) with your questions or for a full list of sponsorship levels.

It takes many volunteers to staff the Homes Tour. The last tour hosted almost 1,000 visitors in one day. House Captains and docents for each tour stop are especially needed. All volunteers receive complimentary tour tickets and the opportunity to meet new neighbors. Please contact hydeparkna@gmail.com to be added to our volunteer list.

– Susan Marshall, Kip Dollar



With summer coming to an end, the Elisabet Ney Museum is preparing for the 2022 fall season with a full roster of outdoor events and performances!

For Austin Museum Day, the Ney will host Portraiture in the Park: Who Am I Anyways!? from noon to 5 pm on Sunday, September 18, 2022. This annual, family-friendly event will feature a multitude of art activities and demonstrations that explore the many facets of portraiture. Join local artists and organizations as they lead hands-on projects that encourage attendees to channel their true, inner identity. The museum will also be open to the public, with our education staff leading guided tours of the museum. Don't forget to tag your photos throughout the day with [#ATXMuseumDay2022](https://twitter.com/ATXMuseumDay2022) and [#atxmuseums](https://twitter.com/atxmuseums)!

We will continue to celebrate the art of portraiture with our current exhibit, *EVE*, by local documentary photographer, Cindy Elizabeth. This exhibition features Cindy's photographic portraits, which are woven throughout the museum's vast displays of Elisabet Ney's own portrait busts and statues. Visitors can also view Cindy's large outdoor photographs, containing images of riders from Austin's Roll'N Da Dice Stables, immersed within the museum's historic landscape. *EVE* will be on view all month, until November 1, 2022.

As we move into October, there will be much more to come, including the legendary Polkapocalypse! We look forward to celebrating the fall season and cooler weather!

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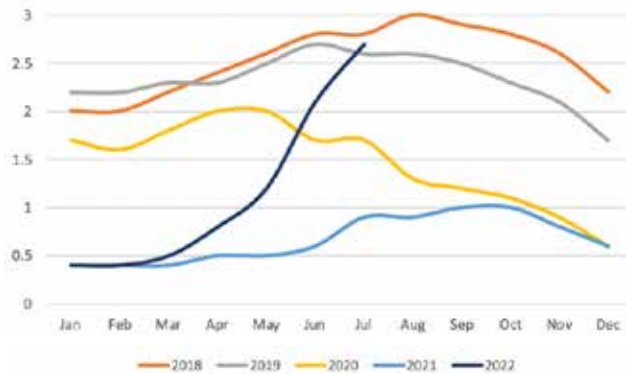
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Hope Food Pantry Food Drive a Success.

This summer the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association held a summer food drive for the Hope Food Pantry. We were primarily looking for rice and pasta but we were more than happy to accept any unopened non-perishables. The totals are in and the neighborhood was able to raise 654 pounds of food! Great job everyone! A huge thank you goes towards those who helped either by donating, getting the word out, or just lending us a bigger wagon. Here's a photo of my daughter Maple and me getting ready to wheel 153 pounds of food to the pantry. – Marsha Riti, HPNA Hope Food Pantry Liaison.



Hyde Park Water and Wastewater Renewal Project. The Hyde Park Water and Wastewater Renewal Project is part of Renewing Austin, an Austin Water program to replace and upgrade aging water lines. Austin Water is protecting our city's water infrastructure by investing in upgrades and repairs of the existing water lines. Water line breaks are well documented in this area and the project is necessary to avoid further expenditures to maintain water lines that have broken frequently. The project will replace about 18,940 linear feet of water and wastewater lines. Visit the project website, austintexas.gov/hydeparkwater, for more information and to sign-up to receive email updates about the project. You can find answers to most frequently asked questions in the project fact sheet and the April 2022 public meeting presentation. Both of these documents are also saved on the project website.



Hyde Parker Contributes to Austin Chronicle Article. Jim Ellinger, Hyde Park resident and citizen journalist, contributed both his words and a photograph to the article "Sonic Warfare?" by Brant Bingamon, published in the July 29 issue of the *Austin Chronicle*. The article begins, "Since moving to Austin in 1980, Jim Ellinger has attended more demonstrations Downtown than he cares to remember." Jim reported on the presence of a long-range acoustic device (LRAD) at a demonstration on July 2 at City Hall protesting the Supreme Court decision overturning *Roe v. Wade*. Read the article at <https://www.austinchronicle.com/news/2022-07-29/questions-arise-about-apds-use-of-sound-machines/>.

Speaking of Water Line Breaks. Hyde Park experienced a water main break and subsequent repair during July on 46th Street. Paul Smith captured a few pictures of the break and repair.



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[Numbers in parentheses = number of letters in answers]

1. Jimmy and Grace look for a murder out back. (4,6)

2. Henry gets jury duty. (6,5,3) _____
3. "Bridge on the _?_" (5,4) _____
4. "_?_" in the "_?_" Gene serenades Debbie. (6,4)

5. "The Day the _?_" Michael lets us know where we stand.
(5,5,5) _____
6. "A _?_ Named _?_" Marlon does Nola. (9, 6)

7. "Dial M for _?_" Grace gets framed. (6)

8. "On the _?_" Marlon at the docks. (10)

9. "_?_" by _?_" Cary and Eva Marie visit Mt. Rushmore. (5, 9)

10. A story as big as Texas. (5) _____
11. "_?_" Mon Amour." Film maker visits town known for event
on August 6. (9) _____
12. Bogey and Kate on a small boat, with The. (7,5)

13. Gary and Grace wait for a train. (4,4)

14. Gregory helps Audrey win an Oscar. (5,7)

15. "From Here to _?_" Burt and Deborah on the beach. (8)

16. Gunslinger Alan looks for quiet life but Jack gets in the
way. (5) _____
17. "_?_" Without a _?_" One of James' four. (5,5)

18. "_?_" Boulevard" Gloria ready for close-up. (6)

19. "Seven _?_" In English re-make, the number was Magnifi-
cent. (7) _____
20. Tony and Jack in drag. (4,4,2,3) _____
21. Jimmy gets dizzy over Kim. (7) _____

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Monthly Calendar

September

- 5 — Happy Labor Day
- 9 — Recycling Pickup
- 12 — Membership Meeting
- 18 — Portraiture in the Park: Who Am I Anyways!?
at the Ney Museum
- 19 — Candidates Forum
- 23 — Recycling Pickup

Voting Resources

Important Dates

- October 11 - Last day to register to vote in the general election
- October 24 to November 4 - Early voting
- October 28 - Last day to apply to Vote by Mail
- November 8 - Election Day and last day for Vote by Mail Ballot to be received

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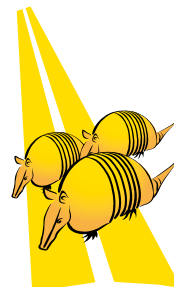
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A Successful Ice Cream Social. The annual Hyde Park Ice Cream Social, on August 17, was a great success, thanks to the efforts of HPNA Social Events coordinators Stephen Gonzalez, Marsha Riti, and Katie Turner. Many kids, to say nothing of grownups, enjoyed ice cream cones in celebration of a summer of pool enjoyment. Photos by Marsha Riti and Lorre Weidlich.



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First Light Books

Well-traveled and well-read go hand-in-hand with the wife-and-husband duo Robin and Taylor Bruce. Running a publishing house and travel imprint, Wildsam, Taylor publishes aesthetically appealing field guides to cities, road trips, and national parks along with other travel-inspired art prints and gifts. Now the couple will bring their love of print media to Austin through their new bookshop in the heart of Hyde Park. First Light Books, to be located in the old post office on 43rd Street and Speedway, with the expected opening date of mid-March, 2023, is much anticipated by neighbors and book-loving Austinites alike. Robin and Taylor sat down with me a few weeks ago for a short interview.

What drew you to the post office location? First Light Books has been a dream that we've had for a long time, and when we came across the post office we thought it was a dream location. It's so walkable and



tucked into the neighborhood. It's quiet and welcoming for customers to linger. We hope people might go to Quack's and then stop by to pick up a book.

Are you going to specialize in any specific genre? First Light Books will be an all-purpose indie bookstore: it will have small sections that hit every note. But we want to be creative while specializing within each section: seasonal offerings, or working with professionals in the city and the neighborhood who are knowledgeable about their fields to curate the selection – like if there's an architect in the neighborhood, asking that architect what ten books in the world of architectural design he or she thinks are really interesting. Also, there will be a big kid's section.

We plan to have a strong membership program because we recognize the limits of budgets, time, and book needs. We want to position the bookstore to where it can be price competitive with Amazon on certain offerings.

What kind of events do you plan on having? Author release events for sure, but there's no reason why you can't stretch beyond that and treat the bookstore like a non-bookstore in event strategy. Like can music or food be part of events? Can the pizza truck come up and park at the bookstore every Friday night? We

want to have fun with it and surprise people. Our hope, too, is that the neighborhood sees it as a place that they can use for gathering, like the neighborhood association, that sort of stuff. The bookstore would love to be a partner to those sorts of events.



What is the need for independent bookstores in the year 2022? More books have been sold in 2022 than there ever have been, and people love places that are built around that pastime. People are wanting to get out of this algorithmic “you bought this so you might like this” life. I want a more organic experience, more relational, more of a surprise by what you might find. The feeling of browsing in a bookstore – nothing is better in terms of shopping. Maybe a farmers market is similar? I want people to find themselves on our bookstore shelves.

You can see more about First Light Books on Instagram at [@firstlightbooks](https://www.instagram.com/firstlightbooks). The Bruces will also have a coffee window open before 8 am!

– Marsha Riti

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Hyde Park Poets —

JOSHUA BELL

The beauty of an artist, naked on a stage
Accompanied only by exquisite talent,
The joy of witnessing such exuberance
Nearly escapes my ability to describe

A priceless Stradivarius, handled with
Such strength and tenderness at the
Same time, they became as one,
Sharing the stage with a pianist
Who, likewise, was one with his
Steinway; the two artists
Became their instruments;
One shredding his bow, the other
Coaxing chords and trills;
Both merged with the great composers,
Brahms, Grieg, and then, Prokofiev,
Sonatas with all their parts,
Allegros, amabile, vivace, con brio,
Or animato, the words convey the tone,
All in all, a meeting of more than minds,
A meeting of souls, shared with strangers
Now bonding in the beauty
Emanating from not one, but two
Artists, naked on the stage
But for their exquisite talents.

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by Dena Houston

The Lonely Mailbox #2



"I feel so empty"

Several years ago, I wrote about how to reduce junk mail. I have now revised this article to include new facts and new ways to reduce it. Almost all of my mail used to go directly from my mailbox to my blue bin. Junk mail seems to be just a fact of life, but we can greatly reduce the amount of *unwanted* mail by doing just a few things. We can also reduce the amount of non-junk mail.

Junk Mail Facts

- The average American household receives 848 pieces of junk mail (equal to 1.5 trees) every year – almost 190 million trees for all U.S. households.
- Over 100 billion pieces of junk mail is sent through the postal system each year.
- The EPA reports that 60% of all junk mail ends up in landfills and therefore is not recycled. Americans pay \$370 million annually to dispose of the junk mail that does not get recycled.
- Junk mail adds 1 billion pounds of waste to landfills each year.

Source: Heal the Planet (<https://healtheplanet.com/100-ways-to-heal-the-planet/junk-mail/>)

How to Reduce Unwanted Mail

- **Weekly Grocery Store Flyers (Red Plum)** - To stop receiving these flyers, visit <https://www.redplum.com/tools/redplum-postal-addremove.html>.
- **Unwanted Mail or Catalogs** - Go to <https://catalogchoice.org/>. Its mission is to stop junk mail for good. It is a non-profit service that sends merchants your opt-out request or guides you how to do it.

- **Other Catalogs** - When your order something online, a catalog often arrives within a week from that same company. By calling the company, you can request that it no longer sends its catalog.
- **Don't Sign Up for Things You Don't Need** - Every time you fill out a Request for Information form, you get on a mailing list. Be selective in the information you request.

How to Receive Mail That Is Not Junk Mail

Magazines - Most magazines are available online. Just call and request that option.

Bills And Credit Card Statements - Almost all bills, including utility and credit card statements, can be received electronically. Select "go paperless" from the website.

My Mail Reducing Experience

On average, we receive about ten pieces of mail a week. Our mail carrier is impressed! However, it is my experience that there is some mail you cannot stop. My husband has spent a lot of time on the phone trying to stop mail from certain companies, but to no avail. Do your best, but try to keep the objective in perspective. Anything you reduce helps the planet (and your mail carrier).

Questions From Our Readers

What do I do with old complimentary-size shampoo bottles and lotions? These can go to the Recycle & Reuse Drop-off Center. They will be recycled as Hazardous Materials.

How do I dispose of a bag of cement mix? You can take it to the Recycle and Reuse Drop-off Center.

Are there any dusters that are reusable? Yes, Swiffer now makes a washable duster that fits onto the hand-held duster wands and mops.

**PLEASE REMEMBER -
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NOTHING SMALLER THAN A
CREDIT CARD IN THE BLUE BIN.**

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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Old West Austin Neighbor Association, West Campus Neighbor Association, South River City Citizens, Hancock Neighbor Association, and Heritage Neighbor Association. Others might join before the event takes place.

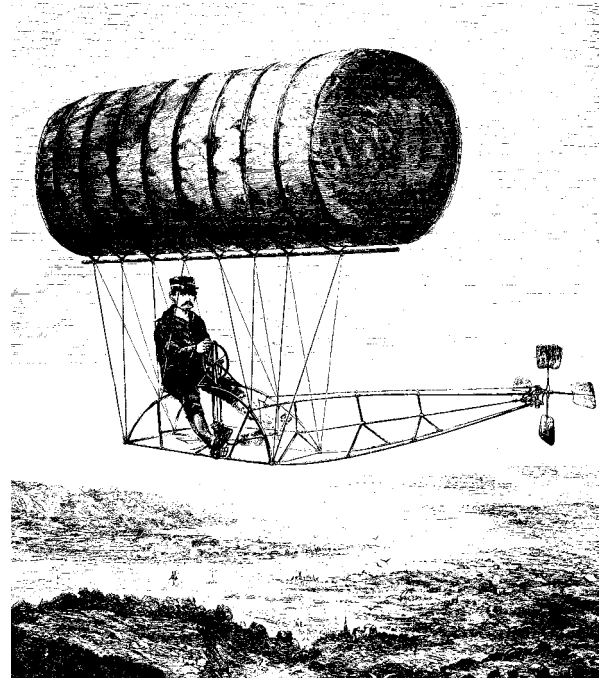
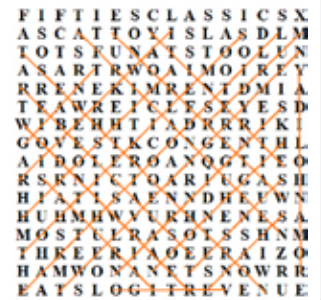
Members of all sponsoring neighborhood associations were invited to submit questions by emailing them to either Lorre Weidlich or Brendan Wittstruck. All submitted questions will be reviewed and the final questions will be generated from those submissions. Because of the number of candidates, there will be time for only a few questions, so we will be looking for the areas of most interest.

Other District 9 neighborhood associations sponsoring candidate events include North Loop (a separate meeting with each candidate), Cherrywood (Wednesday, September 21, with both District 9 candidates and mayoral candidates), Bouldin Creek (October 11, 6:30 to 8:30, at the Texas School for the Blind), and Mueller (an accountability session with both District 9 candidates and mayoral candidates).



Word Find Answers from page 9

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- 6) STREETCAR DESIRE;
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- 9) NORTH NORTHWEST;
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- 12) AFRICAN QUEEN; 13) HIGH NOON;
- 14) ROMAN HOLIDAY; 15) ETERNITY;
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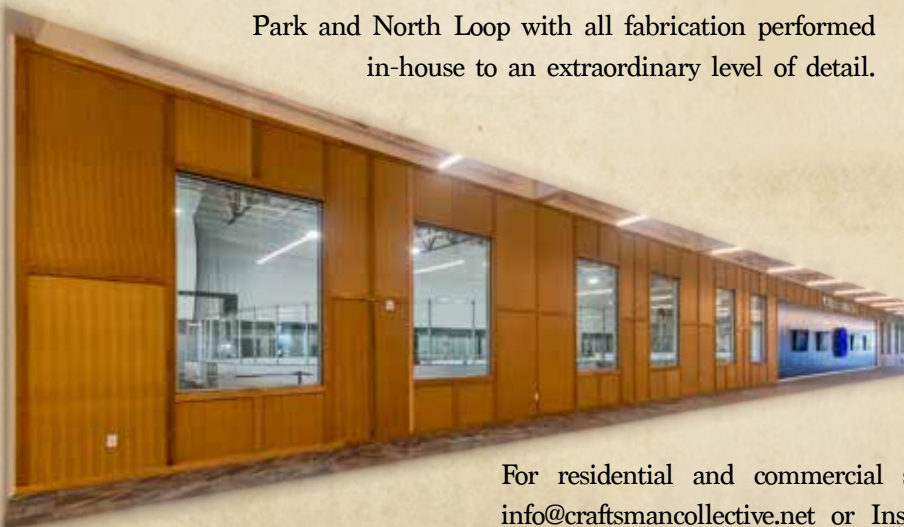



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