

North Shoal Creek Neighborhood News

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President's Corner

As you are reading this newsletter, I am sure that by now you are probably weary of hearing about upcoming elections from the local to the national level. Our neighborhood association also has an upcoming election in January of 2001 for new officers and board members. In the past, I've heard comments from members about our process of choosing new officers for the next year. Most comments are along the lines of "How did these people get nominated for elections?" or "How come we did not hear anything about these nominations until January?" I think most of these comments were from people who somehow felt left out of the process. Well, with that in mind we have decided to put the word out early this year to everyone. Most of the officers and board members feel that the neighborhood association needs as many new people to fill these positions as possible each year in order to keep the flow of fresh ideas and enthusiasm going strong. We want you to know that all of the officer and board member positions are open this year to anyone who would like to participate! The only requirement is that you are a dues paying member of the neighborhood association. Our next neighborhood meeting will be November 9, 6:00 PM at Pillow Elementary at which time we will be explaining each position available and taking nominations from the floor. The nominating committee will then present the list of nominations for voting at our January 2001 neighborhood business meeting. The nominating committee can also take nominations by phone at any time for next year. Their names and phone numbers are listed in this newsletter.

If you are wondering just exactly what each officer or board member actually does each year we are including a short paragraph from some of

the officers and a board member in this newsletter describing their participation in the association this year. We hope this will give you some idea of how much time and effort was put into helping this year. I think you will find that the commitment of time needed to participate in the neighborhood association is far less than you thought it would be.

If you know of a neighbor who you think would make a good officer or board member please call one of the nominating committee members and we will be happy to contact that person for recruitment. If you would like to participate in another exciting year of helping to keep our neighborhood the fine community that it is then please let us know! The officers and board members would like to thank you for letting us have our time at running the neighbor-

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NEXT NSCNA MEETING

DATE: November 9
TIME: 6:00-8:00 PM
(6:00-6:30PM, Social time)
PLACE: Pillow Elementary
AGENDA: Upcoming elections

There will be two door prizes given away at the meeting.
(Gift certificates to area restaurants.)

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hood association and are looking forward to turning over the reins to the next group for the year 2001!

Thank You,
Chuck Crane, President NSCNA

North Shoal Creek Parent Group

The neighborhood parent group is a family-centered association that meets together once a month to socialize and discuss issues that affect families in our community.

Thanks to the generosity of Waterloo Ice House, families meet there every third Sunday of the month at 6:00 PM to enjoy dinner, half-price appetizers and happy our priced drinks.

Anyone in our neighborhood who is interested in meeting other families, publicizing local concerns or finding out what's happening in our area is welcome at the get-togethers. Also, as always, kids are welcome!

We have started a small playgroup that meets on Friday morning at 10 AM. This summer, we met at Pillow playground, but since school started, we are meeting at Northwest Park.

To get more information, call Catherine Cotman at 374-0898.

**The North Shoal Creek
Neighborhood News welcomes
your story ideas and written articles.
Send them to Tracy Urban
at 8504 Daleview Drive, Austin,
TX, 78757 or e-mail them to
durban@austin.rr.com.**

Summer Garage Sale a Success

The neighborhood garage sale was held on June 24. Over 20 people held individual sales and helped pay for advertising. Thanks to Tracy Urban for organizing the sale and being responsible for advertising. We hope to continue the Neighborhood Sale next year and would appreciate your suggestions on improving it.



Yard-of-the-Month Winners

Congratulations to our Yard of the Month winners, and thanks for making our neighborhood a more beautiful place to live.

November 1999: Sheri and Britt Terrell of 3024 Thrushwood

December 1999: Summer Morris of 8012 Logwood

February 2000: Alice Villegas of 8416 Briarwood

March 2000: Barbara and Grady Loudermilk of 8306 Millway

April 2000: Elanor Foley of 8516 Rockwood

May 2000: Christine and Brian Ackerson of 8612 Little Laura

June 2000: Sibylle Hohendorf-Shoemaker and Richard Shoemaker of 8407 Rockwood

July 2000: Patti and Mark Mortimore of 8106 Logwood

August 2000: Kate and Curtis Slayten of 8600 Little Laura

September 2000: Wilma and Jim Hatfield of 8621 Winding Walk

October 2000: Lynda Hanson of 2601 Steck

We welcome nominations for Yard of the Month. Call Tina Huckabee at 453-6953.

NEED A BIGGER HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS?



The weather may cool off but the housing market is still HOT!
It's a great time for selling your home. Let me show you how to make the most money and the quickest sale from your home.

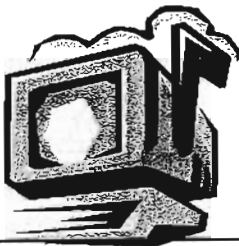
Take a look at my latest sales.

8509 Daleview \$197,200 Sold in 2 days
3/2 with beautiful addition and gorgeous landscaping

8510 Daleview \$200,000 Sold in 8 days
New spa, and central heat / air conditioning. Large workshop.

Available!

4003 Greystone Listed at \$289,900 Northwest Hills
4/2.5 with huge bedrooms, formal areas, family room with fire place and built-in bookshelves. Over 2600 sq. ft. per TCAD



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Real Estate News

Dear North Shoal Creek Friends:

Well it's been a while since I had the opportunity to give you the "scoop" on neighborhood sales. The homes in our area are going for fabulous prices the following sales are from May 1, 2000 through October 12, 2000.

For more detailed information call: Felicia Morrison, CRS GRI 512-451-2552.

ADDRESS	BEDRMS	BTHS	SALE PRICE
3102 Charlwood	3	1	\$136,000
8310 Millway	3	2	164,500
8709 Millway	3	2	174,900
8406 Millway	3	2	178,000
8309 Millway	3	2	194,500
8509 Daleview	3	2	196,700
3032 Thrushwood	3	2.5	245,000
8005 Logwood	3	2	140,000
8600 Primrose	3	2	170,000
8612 Melshire	4	2	180,000
8610 Melshire	4	3	196,750
8308 Franwood	3	1	115,000
8501 Stillwood	3	1.5	130,700
8406 Stillwood	3	1.5	134,950
8017 Rockwood	3	1	136,900
8407 Stillwood	3	1.5	139,000
8405 Stillwood	3	2	150,000
8112 Stillwood	3	2	162,000
8303 Briarwood	3	2	165,000

Information deemed reliable but not guaranteed.

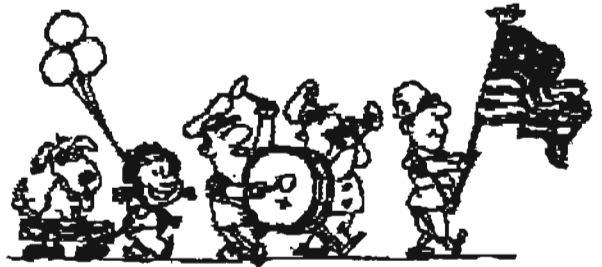
Thank You to Pam Penick

The Neighborhood Association would like to extend its thanks to Pam Penick for all her work with the association and with the newsletter over the past few years. She and her family are moving to another neighborhood and will be greatly missed by the Association.



4th of July Parade

Thanks to all of the event helpers and the participants: the dogs, boy scouts, decorated cars, walkers, kazoo band members, bicyclists, roller bladers, balloon flag marchers, and children! An estimated 350 - 400 people participated and made the event successful!



We would like to express our appreciation to the following merchants who donated items for the 4th of July Raffle.

Party Pig (Anderson Ln.)
Fuddruckers (Anderson Ln.)
Flamers (Northcross Mall)
Regal Cinemas (Northcross Mall)
Blimpies Sandwich Shop (Rockwood/Anderson)
Recording Studio (Northcross Mall)
Chili's (183/Burnet)
Dairy Queen (Burnet Rd)
Trudy's (Burnet Rd)
Donut Crown (7940 Burnet Rd)
Waterloo Ice House (Rockwood/Burnet)
Shoal Creek Massage, Matt Williams (8705 Shoal Creek)
Highland Bowling Lanes (183/Burnet)

Chris Randall, social committee chairperson would like to thank the Social Committee for helping out with the planning of the event:

Diana Gore - merchant sponsorships
Carrie Garwick - merchant sponsorships
Catherine Cottman - merchant sponsorships and treats
Claire Parish - donated bubbles and helped organize the Kazoo band
Montie Simpson - planning the event
K.C. and Jim Dignan - event raffle organizers and donated prizes
Tina Huckabee and Steven Weintraub - clean up and early bird decoration helpers
Karen Williams - flag bearer and event helper
Roger and Jeri Wimes - organized sound system
Matt and Andrea Williams - event helpers and donated prizes
Laura Wendell - event helper and prizes for parade

Advertise with us

Distribution: Quarterly; Approximately 950 households.

Neighborhood borders: West-Shoal Creek; East-Burnet Road; North-Hwy. 183; South - Anderson Lane

Rates per issue: (New rates effective for the next newsletter.)

Business Card:	\$20	1/2 page:	\$60
1/4 page:	\$40	Full page:	\$110

To run an ad, please call Tracy Urban at 419-0604. Ads must be camera ready and paid for in advance of publication. The newsletter reserves the right to request changes, reject an ad, or label an ad as such. The advertiser, not the newsletter, is responsible for the truth and content of the ad.

From the Nominating Committee

Maybe you marched in the July 4th parade or cheered on the children who rode bikes streaming crepe paper. Maybe you ate a hot dog and listened to the band at the Spring Fling. Maybe you went to a neighborhood association meeting or two, met some new neighbors, and learned something from the guest speakers. If you enjoyed any of the events sponsored by our neighborhood association, now is the time for you to give back to the association with a little of your time and energy.

Our neighborhood association needs volunteers to serve as officers, board members, and committee members in 2001. These volunteers are vital to our ability to organize fun events like the parade and Spring Fling as well as serve the interests of the neighborhood. It's important that new people volunteer in order to bring fresh ideas

and energy into the association. Please consider how you can spare a few hours of your time to contribute to the place you call home.

The nominating committee is now seeking volunteers for the following positions for the 2001 term: president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and 7 board positions. You don't need a lot of experience to serve, just enthusiasm and dedication. You are required only to be a dues-paying member of the association, but you are welcome to join as late as election day, which will be held in mid-January.

If you'd like to be considered for one of these positions, please call John Migl, chairperson of the nominating committee, at 452-3482. Your contribution will help make our neighborhood a place we're all proud to call home.

Dear Friends and Neighbors:



Happy Halloween! Happy Thanksgiving!

From my family to yours here's wishing you the BEST!



Felicia Morrison CRS, GRI

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What would I do as a volunteer?



Here are a few of the positions that will be available in the neighborhood association.

Secretary

The Secretary attends all meetings, both general and business, and is responsible for preparing the minutes. This position also is in charge of processing a small amount of mail for the neighborhood association.

Treasurer

The Treasurer handles the money for the association and deals with taxation. This position is also responsible for the membership list.

Social Committee Chairperson (voting board member)

The social committee provides social events for all residents of the neighborhood. These events help make our neighborhood a more enjoyable place to live and our neighborhood association more visible. The chairperson heads the committee and handles the planning and coordination of social events. This year we organized two events: the Spring Fling and the 4th of July Parade.

Newsletter Editor (voting board member)

The newsletter editor must be able to use a layout program like Pagemaker or Publisher, as well as a word processing program to produce our quarterly newsletter. The editor conceives of ideas for articles, writes some stories, assigns stories to other writers, edits everything, and plans the lay-

out the articles and ads. The editor also arranges for the newsletter to be printed. It's a creative job that requires good organization and communication skills, and it's great for someone who wants to keep up with all the happenings in the neighborhood.

Voting Board Member (5 positions available)

My name is Beverly Schlegel, and I've been on the NSCNA board for about a year and a half. I live in the David Weekley section of the neighborhood. Shortly after I moved in, the president of the association asked me to assist in fighting a zoning variance that would allow a duplex to be built next to my home. I circulated a petition among my neighbors, wrote a letter to the city council, and attended the council meeting when the case was heard. The variance was defeated unanimously, as was an appeal. Subsequently, a home was built next door rather than a duplex.

This process made a big impact on me. I realized that I could make a difference, and that we, as an active association, had a powerful voice and could accomplish a lot to maintain a quality neighborhood. Collectively we can really make a difference, but only if we are involved.

A board member's time commitment is quite minimal. There are several business meetings a year for voting on specific issues. Beyond that, a board member can be as active as he or she wants—helping with events and activities, committee service, or service as an officer.



On Being Neighborly: *Help out a neighbor *Don't litter *Donate to local charities *Plant flowers *Volunteer *Use our park *Recycle *Conserve water *Organize Neighborhood Watch Program *Drive carefully *Have a block party *Attend a neighborhood meeting *Vote! *Report suspicious activities to 911 *Keep your pets on a leash *Pick up after your pets *Park in your driveway *Keep your home in good repair *Keep your yard mowed and trimmed *Join NSCNA *Donate household items *Report potholes 440-8444 *Correct poor street lighting 323-9100 *Stay in contact with your elderly neighbors *Take walks around the neighborhood *Pick up litter on streets and sidewalks *Report missing street signs 459-4885 *Offer to pick up newspapers or mail when a neighbor is on vacation *Take a day off work to spend with your family

Join the Neighborhood Association Today.

Please complete this coupon and mail it with a check for \$13.00 (made out to the North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association) to Steven Weintraub, Treasurer, 8709 Stillwood Lane, Austin, TX, 78757.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Please check one: Renewal _____ New Member _____

Please note that dues are collected annually for the the period January through December.

Dues may be paid in the middle of the year, but they will be due again the following January.

Please check if you are interested in volunteering in any of these areas:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> By-laws | <input type="checkbox"/> Social | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Distribution/Publicity | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic | <input type="checkbox"/> NSCNA website |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parent Association | <input type="checkbox"/> Yard of the Month | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning |

Happy Thanksgiving from Your
Neighborhood Association



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Treasurer: Steven Weintraub 453-6953

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Social:	Chris Randall	458-0704
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Newsletter:	Tracy Urban	419-0604
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