



Parkside at Slaughter Creek Newsletter

Summer 2011

Come Join Your Neighbors for a Movie in the Park

The Social Committee has worked to put together a Movie in the Park night.

The first movie event will be held on Friday August 26th at Lauren Park at 8:00 pm. A list of movies will be provided to the Social Committee and a fun, family movie will be selected soon.

Mark your calendars, get your lawn chairs ready and come join your neighbors for a fun filled night.

Watch the website for more details as we get closer to the event.

Thanks to Warren and Jessica for working so hard on this!

Community Improvements

A number of improvements were discussed at this years annual meeting. Some of the improvements have been completed while others are in the process of bid approval. Large projects requested by homeowners at the meeting are being looked at. The board is asking that all homeowners go to the website and vote for their preferred large improvement project. (parksideatslaughter.org)

Projects that have been completed are:

- A child swing was installed at Lauren Park.
- The liner was replaced under the mulch and additional mulch added in the play area.
- New flags were installed at the entrance.
- A fallen tree branch was removed that had been blocking the nature trail.
- The board is in process of reviewing

bids to improve the trail. The granite will be replaced where it has been washed out. Additionally, we are looking at ways to address the areas of the trail that are subject to wash out. The entire length of the trail will be graded and additional granite added where needed.

Larger projects that are being considered via a community poll are:

- Clearing a path from the walking trails to the creek and creating a picnic area at the creek in the greenbelt area.
- Making improvements to the empty lot on Petrified Forrest.
- Adding security camera to both entrances.
- Making landscape improvements at both entrances.

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Community Improvements (continued from cover)

The poll is currently on the website and the board will run the poll through August.

Vote for your preferred project!

If funding permits work to begin on more than one project in the coming year, the

second most popular project will be considered for implementation.

All of the projects being voted on will require an initial investment and some ongoing expenditures for maintenance.



National Night Out

National Night Out is quickly approaching. We have had two very successful events in the last three years, but unfortunately last year did not have an event. We are seeking volunteers to help plan and coordinate an event for this year.

If you are interested in volunteering you can contact either the Social Committee or the Crime Watch Committee via the website...

www.parksideatslaughter.org

National Night Out will be Tuesday October 4th. Usually we are able to get repre-

sentation from the Austin Police Department, Travis County Sheriff's Office and the Austin Fire Department. There is food, fun for the kids and educational opportunities regarding crime and current crime trends. This is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors and learn more about community safety.

In order to pull off a successful event, we need you! If you are willing to help plan and/or coordinate the event, help set up, contact sponsors, bring items or anything else—please contact either

committee so that we can begin planning an event for this year.

Newest Board Member

This year at the annual membership meeting a new board member was elected to fill the vacant seat.

Premal Amin is a great addition to the board and has filled the Treasurer seat.

Committee Members Needed

All of the active committees are in need of new members/volunteers.

The Neighborhood Crime Watch Committee is seeking a new Chair of the Committee.

If you are interested in participating on any of the committees, please send an email via parksideatslaughter.org.

Chickens at Parkside?

At the annual meeting, the question was asked about keeping chickens on one's property in the Parkside community.

The Board reviewed the CCRs and section 3.08 excludes such animals. The section states 'No animals, including, pigs, hogs, swine, poultry, fowl, wild animals, horses, cattle, sheep, goats, or any other type of animal not considered to be a domestic household pet within the ordinary meaning and interpretation of such words may be kept, maintained, or cared for on the Property.'

Stage One Water Restrictions

Stage One water restrictions are currently in effect for all City of Austin water customers. Homeowners are restricted to a two day watering schedule either before 10am or after 7pm.

Stage One water restrictions will remain in effect throughout the summer. Currently, unless the City's water usage exceeds prescribed water triggers of 270 million gallons in a day or three consecutive days above 260 million gallons.

Other triggers for escalating to Stage Two restrictions are lake level triggers.

RESIDENTIAL Odd Address		RESIDENTIAL Even Address		COMMERCIAL & MULTIFAMILY All Addresses	
Water up to 2 days each week Before 10:00 a.m. &/or after 7:00 p.m.					
Wed	Sat	Thur	Sun	Tue	Fri

Currently, the LCRA does not expect that we will hit the lake level triggers, unless we continue to be without significant rainfall. Without rain, Austin could experience lake level triggers and Stage Two restrictions in the fall.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS at SLAUGHTER CREEK OVERPASS

Finally! The City of Austin has put up traffic lights at Slaughter Creek overpass.

These lights are not operable yet, but are scheduled to begin operating soon.

Currently, the City is monitoring traffic patterns to determine the most appropriate timing of the

lights. This monitoring is being done via cameras installed at the poles.

Currently, the plan is to have the lights operating as fully functioning lights during peak hours and will likely be flashing yellow during slower traffic times or overnight.

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New Legislation Affecting Homeowners Associations

During the last legislative session a number of new items impacted homeowners associations.

Over the next few months, the website will be updated outlining the new changes that impact Parkside.

The Board will likely dedicate much of the next newsletter issued to these changes as well.

