



Rattan Creek Neighborhood News

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August 2001

National Night Out - August 7th

Law enforcement agencies across the country are encouraging you to participate in this simple step against crime prevention. Basically, it is a Neighborhood Light Party - an opportunity to join in the fun and meet your neighbors! Participation is easy.

Turn on your porch lights. Remember to lock your doors. Talk with your neighbors. Plan to have a block party on August 7. Let your local law enforcement folks know, so they can stop by for a visit.

When: Tuesday, August 7, 2000 - in the evening.

Where: Just outside your door.

Why: Properly lighted homes, businesses and streets help cut down on crime and drug activity. Neighbors knowing their neighbors strengthens security for everyone.

***LIGHTS ON,
MEANS LIGHTS OUT FOR
CRIME!***

Travis County Sheriff: 473-9721

Williamson County Sheriff: 943-1300

Williamson County Constable: 248-3239

Be sure to include the new neighbors, who you haven't had time to meet yet. This is a good way to get to know who your neighbors are. Always wished your block would get together more often, here is an opportunity. You don't have to be elaborate; try a pot luck dinner or just dessert and coffee.

EVENTS

August

- Aug 7 National Night Out
- Aug 13 School Starts—RRISD
- Aug 15 **MUD Meeting**, 6 pm
100 Congress Ave, ste 1300
- Aug 15 **Deadline Rattan Fest**
5K Run Forms, T-shirts
(pre-registration)
- Aug 16 **RCNA Meeting**-7pm
Rattan Creek Pool

September

- Sept 2 Rattan Fest
 - 7:30 am Register to Run
 - 8:00 am 5K Run
 - 2:00 pm Booths Open
(in the Rattan Creek Park)
 - 5:00 pm Food Booths
 - 8:30 pm Chris Chitsey
Free Concert in the Park
- Sept 3 *Labor Day Holiday*
- Sept 18 *Rosh Hashanah*
- Sept 19 **MUD Meeting**, 6 pm
100 Congress Ave, ste 1300
- Sept 20 **RCNA Meeting**-7pm
Rattan Creek Pool
- Sept 27 *Yom Kippur*

October

- Oct 8 Columbus Day
- Oct 17 **MUD Meeting**, 6 pm
100 Congress Ave, ste 1300
- Oct 18 **RCNA Meeting**-7pm
Rattan Creek Pool
- Oct 28 Daylight Savings

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The Rattan Creek Neighborhood News welcomes your letters and guest columns. Letters must have a verifiable signature. Guest columns and letters will be printed on as space available basis. Neither the Rattan Creek Neighborhood News nor the Rattan Creek Neighborhood Association accept responsibility for the opinions expressed in editorials, letters or guest columns. The Rattan Creek Neighborhood News reserves the right not to publish any submissions and the right to edit all submissions. Mail to the following address: Jo Jones, RCNA Editor, 13119 Green River Trail, Austin, Tx 78729. 512-335-1805.

President's Notes

“Every year the neighborhood gets a little more lax on deed restrictions...” That is a quote, used with permission, from a letter about tall weeds and abandoned cars.

I'd like to modify that: It is *neighbors* getting more lax, not the neighborhood. The *neighborhood association* is not responsible for patrolling your street in search of bad lawns and dead cars. That responsibility belongs to each of us, the homeowners,...and that means all of us.

I forwarded the letters to the Deed Restriction Inspection Committee and replied to the senders by saying that I would encourage people to report possible violations. It is true that yards must be maintained and non-working vehicles are not permitted. Talk to your neighbors. If you still don't think your street looks good, write it up! Another neighbor writes that she is *“embarrassed to have people over to visit...”*, I'm not; my street looks good. How about yours? :) Take control.

The Deed Restriction Inspection Committee doesn't require a perfectly formatted, formal, typewritten business letter, and I promise your English teacher won't read it. You just have to document the problem and sign your name. No action is taken on anonymous complaints, and letters sent to violators do not divulge the source of

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Jon Martin, Owner RCNA Member/Milwood



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reports received-not even to the attorneys. The address and instructions are written in every newsletter.

In addition to inquiries about deed restriction violations, several people asked for help in preventing others from parking in front of their homes. This isn't a deed restriction violation, but it isn't very neighborly-especially if you've been asked to stop. Many of us have multiple drivers at home, three or four cars, and standard size lots. A little consideration on the part of all parties is needed.

It seems that the key to solving these problems is consideration and communication. Let's try for a little of each during these summer months.

See you around the neighborhood.

Richard Miller, President

The Worry Tree

I hired a plumber to help me restore an old farmhouse, and after he had just finished a rough first day on the job, a flat tire made him lose an hour of work & his electric drill quit, his ancient one ton truck refused to start. As I drove him home, he sat in stony silence.

On arriving he invited me in to meet his family. As we walked toward the front door, he paused briefly at a small tree, touching the tips of the branches with both hands. Upon opening the door he had undergone an amazing transformation. His tanned face was wreathed in smiles and he hugged his two small children and gave his wife a kiss.

Afterward he walked me to the car. We passed the tree and my curiosity got the better of me. I asked him about what I had seen him do at the little tree.

"Oh, that's my trouble tree," he replied. "I know I can't help having troubles on the job, but one thing's for sure, those troubles don't belong in the house with my wife and the children. So I just hang them up on the tree every night when I come home and ask God to take care of them. Then in the morning I pick them up again." Funny thing is," he smiled, "when I come out in the morning to pick them up, there aren't nearly as many as I remember hanging up the night before."

Sent to me via email - Jo Jones



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Around Rattan Creek

New Neighbors and Babies:

New Neighbors:

Nick and Crystal Wilson
7435 Dallas Drive

Chris Ragland
12602 Dringenberg

John and Crystal Burmeister
13433 Moscow Trail

Agustin and Lupe Escamilla
12917 Marimba Trail

David Eschle and Andrea Hanley
8125 Osborne Drive

New Babies:

No babies reported this time.

If you know someone has just moved into the neighborhood, or just had a baby, help us to welcome the new folks and/or congratulate our neighbors on their special event.

Please contact Terri Olsem at 219-7931, Or email to her at terriolsem@aol.com.



Milwood Parent Activities

Infant Group: (Newborn to 12 mo) Looking to start a group? Call Marcie DeOliveira at 335-6960 to get your name listed for a "new" newborn group.

Young Toddlers: (6 mo. to 1 1/2 yr.) Call Brian Sargent at 336-7518

Young Toddlers: (1 year to 18 mo) Starting a new group, Call Marcie DeOliveira at 335-6960.

Young Toddlers: (1½ -2 years) Call Mike or Melissa Harvey at 918-1912

Toddlers (3 years): Starting a new group in June 2001. Call Julie Oliver at 258-5661

Toddlers: (Children with birth dates in Fall 1996 and Summer/Spring of 1997) Call Candance Kreiling at 331-9773

Toddlers: (4 year olds) Meets every Wednesday at various homes, call Nancy at 219-5216 for locations.

Children: (7 yrs plus) Meeting several times a week for coffee, swimming, lunch, etc. Contact Mary Jane Tagtow 219-6780. Calendar available.

Home Schooling Group: (all ages) Annette Anderson 250-5137.

Milwood Parents...

*Please call **Marcie DeOliveira** at 335-6960 for updates, new groups, changes or reports on activities. Thanks.
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LOST:

African Grey Parrot;
white face, red tail feathers

Last seen in woods behind Corpus Christi.

Bird Whistles (wolf whistle) and squaks.

Please call 336-2401 or 331-1109
\$100 Reward, if information leads to capture.

Recipe

Curried Chicken Salad

4 cups 1-inch dice poached chicken breast
 1/2 cup plus 2 TBSP minced red onion
 1 TBSP minced fresh coriander (cilantro)
 4 tsp golden raisins

 1 TBSP vegetable oil
 1 TBSP Madras style curry powder

 1 cup prepared or homemade mayonnaise
 2 TBSP freshly squeezed lime juice
 1 TBSP Major Grey's mango chutney,
 chopped
 1/4 cup chopped cashew nuts
 or slivered almonds, toasted
 (OPTIONAL)

Yield: 4 servings

Serving suggestions:

2 cups lettuce or 4 medium pita breads

In a medium bowl, toss together the chicken, onion, coriander, and raisins. In a small saute pan, heat the oil over medium heat.

Add the curry powder and stir for a minute or until fragrant. Remove pan from the heat and let the flavored oil cool.

In a small bowl mix together the curry oil, mayonnaise, lime juice and chutney. Gently fold the chicken mixture into the flavored mayonnaise. Add the nuts, if desired. Serve on a bed of lettuce or in a pita sandwich.

Prep Time: 10 minutes

Difficulty: Easy

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More on Watering and Maintaining the Yard

The hot dry summer months are here and the yearly grind of hauling hoses and watering the lawn continues. If you have an automatic underground irrigation system, you may be bracing for the usual high water bills. Regardless of the system you use, you can save time, money, and water by following a few simple guidelines to ensure you are watering your yard in the most efficient way possible.

Pots and hanging baskets: Note that pots and hanging baskets dry out the fastest due to sun and wind on the root ball. Keep these close to the most-used areas of the yard so you will notice the drooping leaves and water as needed. Keeping them in as much shade as possible will help too. Also mulch the top of the soil and insulate the sides of the pots (or grouping them together) to reduce the sun and wind access to the pots.

When to Water: The best time of day to water is early morning (3 to 7 am) when the wind is calm, temperature low, and when moisture on the plant leaves will be evaporated by the sun soon and minimize fungus problems. Most plants can survive with less water than you think but you must wean them by developing deep roots; work toward a 5 to 7 day watering cycle on your day to water.

Always, the best way to determine if watering is needed is NOT the calendar.

Last week it might have rained 4 inches or, it might have been 100 degrees with a hot dry wind. If you have a sprinkler system with a rain cutoff, use in to minimize watering when it rains. Some controllers have a switch, so you can turn it on or off.

So, depending on the rain, you may not need to water for 14 days or you may need to water immediately no matter what the calendar says. Look at your plants, they will tell you their watering need when you walk around your yard. Water is needed when plants droop, lose their gloss, curl inwards or take on a grayish color. What they are doing is changing the exposure area of the leaves to reduce further evaporation loss. You will be able to see the clues. Grass that is under stress shows footprints still an hour after being walked upon. To be sure, dig a hole in the soil. If it is dry 3 or 4 inches down at the root level, it is time to water.

Also, remember that full sun areas require more water. During the hot July to August months, you may need to develop 2 watering cycles, for full sun

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Lee Anne Renfrow

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areas every 3-5 days and for shade areas every 5-7 days. This is the way the different zones or areas of automatic irrigation systems should be set up.

Different Watering Systems: There are two fundamentally different watering systems, spray and soaker. Spray systems include hose-end sprays, sprinklers, and underground sprinkler systems. Soaker systems include the soaker or leaky hoses and drip irrigation systems.

Another difference is how permanent the system is. I think we all would like a watering system that would sense when the plants need water and then turn on and deliver the most efficient amount of water at the right time of the day. Automatic systems are available but require some on-going maintenance and are difficult to change when plants are added or watering coverage is not correct. One of my neighbors calls his irrigation system his hobby!

Less permanent and easier to move systems are the soaker systems. There are tips below for installing and maintaining each of the spray and soaker systems.

How to Water with Spray Systems (hand or automatic): Deep, infrequent watering is the way

to go, but how long to water is the question. The reliable method is to measure how much water your system is putting out in an hour. Spray system output can be measured by placing 3 to 10 empty cans (tuna or cat food cans are the right size) at different distances and directions from the water source. Hose end sprayers will need fewer cans because coverage is the same wherever you move the sprayer. Underground systems require more cans to assure even coverage between the zones. Run each sprinkler zone for 30 minutes. Measure the number of inches of water in each can, add them together, and divide by the number of cans to get the average. To figure out the number of inches per hour your system is putting out, multiply the 30 minute average you just calculated by 2. Write this down for each zone and you will be able to lengthen or shorten the time as needed. Note that the variation in depth of water in each can gives you an idea how evenly your system distributes water.

In Austin, an inch of water is usually sufficient to wet the soil six inches down, reaching the root system of most turf grasses. Buffalograss, Bermuda grass, and most shrub and perennial root systems can reach down 12 to 18 inches, so you

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Sunday, September 2, 2001

- 8:00 am 5 K Run
- 2:00 pm Booths Open in the Park
- 5:00 pm Food Booths open in the park
- 8:30 pm Free Concert in the Park
featuring: Chris Chitsey


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PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY
BEFORE COMPLETING APPLICATION

- All members receiving badges must be listed, with birthdates, for the application to be considered complete. (Children under three attending the pool do not need to be listed.)
- Guest passes can only be purchased by a member of the pool. All guests must be accompanied by a pool member.
- One complimentary pass, which can be used three (3) times, is issued with each badge purchased. Two (2) passes will be issued with each annual pass. (Complimentary passes are not issued with badges purchased for replacement of a lost badge.)
- A packet of ten (10) guest passes consists of four (4) cards totaling ten (10) uses.
- A check made payable to North Austin M.U.D. #1 (NAM1) Pool must accompany the application to be processed.
- The check for the pool, tennis key and the RCNA **must be mailed separately** from the payment for the NAM1 water bill.
- Replacement fees for lost or stolen badges are as follows:
 Summer / Winter Badge: \$5.00 each Annual Badge: \$10.00 each
- If purchasing a combination of summer only / winter only and annual badges, please specify for whom the annual badges are to be assigned to.
- All badges and passes will be mailed out and are not available for pickup (even if registering in person)
- Annual badges are good from the beginning of the summer session until the end of the winter session of the same year and not necessarily a year from the date of purchase. (i.e. valid from May 2001 to April 2002)
- Tennis court keys are good from (approximately) the first of May until the end of April of the following year. New keys will need to be purchased at this time every year.
- Please make sure you are filling out the appropriate application for the tags, etc., that you are requesting. (The application should state the year and session being registered for above the listing of fees.)

**ALL INCOMPLETE OR INCORRECT APPLICATIONS WILL
BE RETURNED WITHOUT PROCESSING**

PLEASE ALLOW TWO (2) WEEKS FOR PROCESSING

RATTAN CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

NORTH AUSTIN MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 - RATTAN CREEK PARK POOL

Application to Use Recreational Facilities and Release of Liability

PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING – INCOMPLETE APPS. WILL BE RETURNED

NAMUD #1 Water Bill Account No. _____ Home Telephone Number _____
 (Application will be considered incomplete without account number)

Name: _____
 (As it appears on NAM1 bill)

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Emergency Contact Person: _____ Telephone Number: _____

I have made application for use of the District's recreational facilities on behalf of myself and the listed members of my family and our guests. I understand that the District's recreational facilities are for use of authorized persons only, and agree that all use by me, my family and our guests shall be in accordance with the District's "Rattan Creek Park Pool, Court Rules and Regulations." I agree that the District does not, by the providing of recreational facilities, assume any responsibility or liability to our guests or us. We assume all responsibility for, and waive any claim against the District for accidental injury, property damage or death arising out of the use of these facilities by any of our guests or us. We agree to indemnify and hold harmless the District, its directors, agents, employees and consultants whether paid or volunteer, from any and all claims by us or our guests which may arise out of use of the District's recreational facilities. If this application is on behalf of any minor children, the application represents that the applicant is the legal guardian of said children and fully responsible for such children, and authorized to execute this application and release on their behalf. **I understand that the children, if under ten (10) years of age, must be accompanied by a person fourteen (14) years of age or older when using the District's facilities.** I further understand that I am responsible for any damage to District facilities caused by my family, my guests or myself.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** ____/____/____
 (Application will be considered incomplete without signature)

Household Members Attending Pool: (All members receiving badges must be listed) (Badges required for ages 3 and up)	Date of Birth	Tag I.D. Number (To be filled in by NAM1)
_____	____/____/____	_____
_____	____/____/____	_____
_____	____/____/____	_____
_____	____/____/____	_____
_____	____/____/____	_____

NO REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE TAKEN AT THE POOL.

2001 Winter Fees:

Make Checks Payable To North Austin M.U.D. #1 Pool

<i>Quantity</i>		
_____	Winter In District Badges @ \$20 per badge	\$ _____
_____	Out of District Membership (Up to 4 Badges if needed) @ \$200 per household	\$ _____
_____	Additional O.D. Badges @ \$20 each additional badge	\$ _____
_____	Guest Passes (only w/ badges) @ \$2 each (one time use)	\$ _____
_____	10 Guest Passes (only w/ badges) @ \$15	\$ _____
_____	Tennis Court Key (In District Only) @ \$15 each	\$ _____
_____	RCNA Membership (In District Only) @ \$20 per household	\$ _____
_____	Annual In-District Badges @ \$40 per badge	\$ _____

All WINTER/ANNUAL Badges & Passes valid thru 4/30/02
Check MUST accompany this registration form to be processed. **Total** \$ _____

Mail or Deliver to ECO Resources, 9511 Ranch Road 620 N., Austin, Texas 78726

Rattan Creek Park, Pool and Court Rules and Regulations

Rules are established and adopted by the North Austin Municipal Utility District #1 Board of Directors
Pool Identification tags and tennis court keys must be purchased through the District Manager
ECO Resources 9511 RR 620 N, Austin, Texas 78726-2908

Pool Rules and Regulations

Identification

1. Pool is available to District residents who have paid tag fees and their guests. Out of District memberships are available. Only individuals with tags may enter pool area.
2. Identification tags must be worn by swimmers at all times.
3. Report lost or stolen I.D. tags to the pool manager. Replacement tags can be purchased through ECO Resources for a \$5.00 fee.
4. Use of pool I.D. tags by any one other than the swimmer listed on the current year's registration form will lead to forfeiture of that I.D.

General Requirements and Conduct

1. Conduct by any person deemed to be dangerous, unwarranted, or offensive is grounds for discipline by the lifeguards. Offensive behavior in particular, will be dealt with on an individual basis and could result in suspension from the pool. Any individual suspended three times may also lose all pool privileges for the season.
2. Running, jumping, skipping, or any activity other than ordinary walking in the pool area is strictly prohibited.
3. Bicycles and skateboards must be walked in front of the pool entrance for safety. No motorized vehicles are permitted in the park. No pets are allowed in the fenced pool area. Pets must be on a leash while in the park.
4. Pool may close for five (5) minutes each hour as a safety precaution
5. Floating devices are not allowed in the pool. Water wings or swim rings for non-swimming children may be used if accompanied by parent or approved baby-sitter.
6. Glass containers of any type are not allowed inside the fenced area or in the bath house area.
7. No cutoffs or street clothes are allowed in the pool.
8. Only lifeguards are to be on the lifeguard stands.
9. No person shall talk to, shout at, or in any manner distract a lifeguard while on the lifeguard stand except in the case of an emergency.
10. Only masks approved by the Pool Manager will be allowed in the pool.
11. One lane will normally be designated for lap swimming at all times, additional lanes may be added at the discretion of the Pool Manager.
12. No smoking or alcoholic beverages are allowed in the fenced pool area.

Adult Supervision

1. Children under ten (10) years of age must be accompanied by a parent/guardian or authorized baby-sitter at all times while inside the fenced pool area, unless approved by Pool Manager.
2. Parents are required to provide written authorization naming a specific approved baby-sitter to attend their children under 10 years old at the pool. The baby-sitter must be fourteen (14) years of age or older and be a pool member or have a valid guest pass.

Guest Policy

1. Guest(s) must be accompanied by a registered pool member and submit a valid guest pass for admission. Pool members must accept responsibility for their guests.
2. Guest(s) must register with the gate keeper upon admission to the pool facility and sign a waiver of liability.

Private Parties

1. Adults eighteen (18) years and older holding a pool I.D. may make reservations to use the pool for a private party when the pool is not open for regular operating hours. All parties must terminate (all participants departing the facility) by 11:30 p.m.
2. Reservations must be made at least four (4) days in advance with the Pool Manager. Reservations are confirmed by a \$50.00 deposit. A reservation is not confirmed until the Pool Manager receives the deposit. The cost for rental of the pool is \$10.00 per hour

plus lifeguard fees.

3. Persons responsible for any parties must hire lifeguards. Lifeguards must be those guards that are under contract with the District.
4. Any damages resulting from a private party will be the responsibility of the lessee.

Wading Pool

1. Children taller than a height set by the Pool Manager will not be allowed in the wading pool.
2. Lifeguards will not monitor the wading pool. Children in the wading pool must have a parent or baby-sitter present at all times.

Pool Hours (as posted at the pool)

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Weekday hours are 11 a. m. to 9 p.m. Saturday hours are 11 a. m. to 9 p. m.; and Sunday hours are 12 Noon to 9 p. m..

WINTER SCHEDULE

Weekday hours are 12 noon to 1 pm and 4:30 to 8:00 pm. Saturday Sunday and Holidays 12:00 to 8 pm. Winter Maintenance closing will be posted at the pool.

General Information

1. At the discretion of the Pool Manager and as approved by the District Manager, certain periods of the normal open hours may be set aside for specialized activities such as, adults only swim, swim lessons, swim meets, and other special events.
2. Hours may be shortened before and after school starts, and during swim team season. Check the Pool Bulletin Board for scheduled events and scheduling changes.

Tennis/Sports Court Rules and Regulations

(In District Members Only)

1. No dangerous or offensive conduct will be allowed on the courts.
2. No pets, bicycles, skateboards, or motorized vehicles allowed on the courts
3. No alcoholic beverages are allowed inside the fenced court area.
4. No glass containers are allowed inside the fenced court areas.
5. A playing time limit of one hour (60 minutes) will be observed when other members are waiting to use the facilities.
6. Tennis courts one and two are subject to reservation by tennis leagues, not to exceed five (5) hours a week as posted at the courts.
7. A member may have a maximum of four (4) guests at a time on the sports courts.
8. At the discretion of the District Manager, certain specialized activities on the courts may be arranged.
9. A maximum of (4) players are allowed per tennis court at any time.
10. Soccer tennis is strictly prohibited.

Questions or Problems

Contact the Pool Manager or
Bill Burke at 331-7066.

**North Austin Municipal Utility District No. 1
Rattan Creek Pool Summer 2001 Schedule**

April 2001

April 1 - 30: Pool Open - Winter Swim
Monday - Wednesday - Friday
 12:00 - 1:30 PM, and 4:30 to 8:00 PM.
Saturday - Sunday 12:00 - 8:00 PM

April 13 & 16: Spring Holiday
 Pool Open: 12:00 to 8:00 PM

Pool closed: April 23 (Sunday)
April 30 Winter Swim Schedule Closed

May 2001

May 5 & 6 Residents Welcome - Tags not Required
11:00 - 9:00 PM
May 1-23: Monday - Friday Swim Team 4:00 -8:00 PM
 Saturdays- Open Swim 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM
 Sundays- Open Swim 12:00 Noon - 9:00 PM
May 12 RCNA Party - RCNA Members only

Schools is Out! May 24rd

May 24-31: Monday-Friday- Swim Team 7:00-11:00 AM
 Open Swim 11:00-9:00 PM
 Saturdays - Open Swim 11:00 AM- 9:00 PM
 Sundays - Open Swim Noon to 9:00 PM

May 28th: Memorial Day celebrated
 Open Swim 1:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Swim Meets May 19 & 26, Pool opens at 1 PM

June 2001

June 1-30 Monday-Friday- Swim Team 7:00-11:00 AM
 Open Swim 11:00-9:00 PM
 Saturdays - Open Swim 11:00 AM- 9:00 PM
 Sundays - Open Swim Noon to 9:00 PM

Teen Nights June 7, 21 \$2.00 Cover Charge

Swim Meets June 2& 16, Pool opens at 2 PM

**Rattan Creek Pool is
 Managed by
 Clearwater Management
 Phone - 331-7066**

**Manager - Raine Maggio
 Assistant Manager - Tony Watt**

Pool phone - 257-8175

July 2001

July 1-31: Monday-Friday- Swim Team 7:00-11:00 AM
 Open Swim 11:00-9:00 PM
 Saturdays - Open Swim 11:00 AM- 9:00 PM
 Sundays - Open Swim Noon to 9:00 PM

July 4th Independence Day



Teen Nights July 5 & 19
8:00 to 10:30 pm \$2.00 charge

Swim Meet July 7 (Division Meet) Pool Opens at 3 PM

August 2001

Aug 1-31: Monday-Friday Open Swim 11:00-9:00 PM
 Saturdays Open Swim 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM
 Sundays Open Swim Noon - 9:00 PM

August 2 Teen Night 8:00 to 10:30 PM \$2.00 Charge

August 9th: School Opens
 (Tentative)



September 2001

Sept. 1-4: Monday-Friday Open Swim 11:00-9:00 PM
 Saturdays Open Swim 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM
 Sundays Open Swim Noon - 8:00 PM

Labor Day Celebration! Open Swim 11:00 - 9:00 PM
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Sept. 5-15: Monday-Friday Open Swim 4:30-8:00 PM
 Saturdays Open Swim 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM
 Sundays Open Swim Noon - 8:00 PM

September 16: - Pool Opens Winter Swim

See other pages for Membership Application for Pool Use.
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need to water these areas more deeply and less often. Most Austin soils are high in clay content and don't absorb water rapidly. Bi-yearly application of Dillo Dirt or other composted material will increase the absorption capability of soil over time. Absorption rate ranges from 1/10 inch to 1/2 inch per hour. In any case when you see water standing or running off, your soil is saturated. To get more total water absorbed, water half the time needed (or until runoff) and then wait an hour or so and come back and water the other half of the time. This is especially important if your yard is on a slope where water soaks in up to 80 percent slower and runs off faster. Sloped areas need shorter times and more often watering.

The correct time needed for the 1 inch of water can be programmed into the automatic system controller for each zone. For hose end sprinklers, you can buy a kitchen timer to remind you to move the hose. Or, buy a hose timer (don't spend less than \$12 because they fail soon) so you can just set in the timer and it will shut the water off after the set time. Then you move the hose and reset the timer.

How to Water with Soaker Systems: Soaker hoses do not work well on large grass areas but work great on flower and vegetable beds. Because our soil is so heavy clay content, water does not move horizontally more than a few inches. A soaker hose in grass would have to be placed or moved every foot or so. Beds with well amended soil with Dillo Dirt or composted material worked in well will allow water to spread out more. The primary advantage to soaker systems is that they do not spray water onto the plants causing fungus problems or causing much water to evaporate or be blown onto the driveway by the wind. Soakers work well with timers which can be set for 4 to 8 hours run time. (Again, hose timers costing less than \$ 12 will not work reliably at different flow rates.)

The best method to determine the time needed is to lay out the soaker hose for good coverage of all the plant roots. Turn the faucet on 1/4 turn and note the time. If you turn on the faucet too far you will blow out parts of the soaker hose causing uneven coverage. Check coverage every hour until you see water running off somewhere or standing in a deep puddle to find out the length of time it takes to saturate your soil. Then dig a hole and see

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how deep the water reached. To get more depth increase the time the hose is on. Now you can check the plants and soil periodically to see when the roots need more water and when needed you can turn the soaker hose on again at that pressure and for that time to assure deep watering.

Spray Equipment Suggestions: Since there are many types of spray heads and sprinklers, some general principles may help you select the best ones for your yard. Sprayers loose a lot of water by evaporation and by blowing by the wind. Look for sprayers which do not spray high in the air and which **do** send out large droplets or streams of water to minimize loss. It takes time to see how well a sprayer is covering the area with a given water valve setting.

Soaker Equipment Suggestions: Since soaker hoses are easy to move and position and quite inexpensive, an easy method is to make up a "leaky Hose" type soaker hose for each bed where it can be left in place and the hose connected and timer set as needed. Home yard stores have 100 foot rolls of soaker hose and inexpensive fittings (even push-in) for connections and ends and "Y"s with flow control valves in each leg. Once the

hose is in place and tested for coverage of all plants, a 3-inch layer of mulch on the bed will assure that all the water goes down to the roots of the plants and that little evaporates. I keep some hose splices around and when I see a plant area under-watered, I cut the soaker hose and splice in a loop of extra hose serpentine around the area. Fluffing up or adding mulch finishes the change.

Drip System Problems: Drip systems with emitters or leaky tubing may be inexpensive but they are difficult to hold in place and impossible to check if they are plugged without pulling the entire system out on top of the bed and running water through it. Even then it is difficult to decide which plant needs a 1 gallon per hour emitter and which a 2 gallon per hour emitter. I have installed a few drip and soaker systems and have talked with dozens of others at Xeriscape Garden Club meetings and it is generally agreed that the leaky hose systems are easiest to install, test, and change for the best water coverage for beds.

Who will water during vacation trips? When we are to be gone for a couple of weeks I use hose "Y"s with valves on them to connect the soaker hoses in several beds together onto an outside

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faucet. After setting the valves for even flows I just ask a neighbor to turn on all our outside faucets for 6 hours while we are gone. Easy and reliable! The grass can make it for 2 weeks if it doesn't rain, so we aren't tied to the house by the yard watering any more.

Bug problems: And the bug attacking your St. Augustine grass which is suffering from the drought is a chinch bug. They like it when it is hot. If you see dry brown grass in hot sunny areas of your lawn, and you are watering properly, chances are you have chinch bugs. They can destroy a lawn in 2 or 3 weeks. The adult chinch bug is black with white markings on the wings. It is small but if you look very closely you should be able to see them. There are rganic products like Insecticidal Soaps, Neem, or Diatomaceous Earth or other products with rotenone and pyrethrum in them that work A good yard and garden insect killer product is the Safer brand Insect Killer Pyrethrin and Insecticidal Soap. . Other chemical controls are available at your local home store or nursery. As with most products, do not apply in full sun during the heat of the day. But do it fast or cinch bugs will spread and kill large areas of the lawn.

Remember what a drought is: Austin can have days and even weeks without rain and with hot dry winds which strip the moisture from plants. Water the grass when it needs it, and the beds on a regular schedule.

Trees are not watered by most grass and bed watering: Trees are often under-watered and recede or stop growing during a drought. If you have small or trees you need to produce more shade for the house, they will require extra watering. The most efficient way is to put soaker hoses outside of the drip line of trees and soak the area for a day every 2 weeks without rain. Landscaping costs a lot of money and replacing large trees can cost thousands of dollars so keep them watered until the fall rains return. Especially in new home areas where the roots of trees have been damaged by construction and too much dirt coverage, trees will need extra watering for several years. The TreeFolks newsletter just reminded me that rapid growth is mostly controlled by the site quality and water applied. Fast growing trees are those that we water very deeply in the summer growing season.

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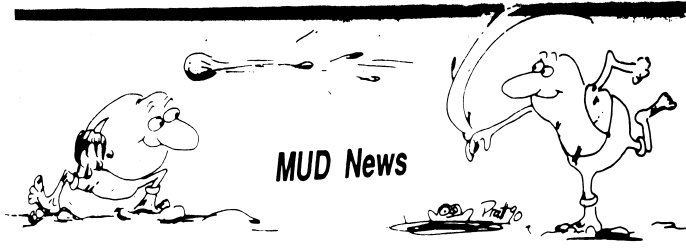
Due to the lack of memberships, the RCNA is considering making a few changes in the distribution of the newsletter. Rather than only give newsletters to RCNA members, which is currently about 500 out of 3000 households, the RCNA is thinking of decreasing the number of issues of the newsletter to an every other month publication.

Due to increases in printing costs, and decrease in memberships, the RCNA Board must decide which items are necessary to reduce spending. A lot of the cost of the newsletter is covered by advertising revenue, however, there is still a portion that must come from our dues.

The board considered the idea of having the newsletter online only, but felt there are still enough folks in the neighborhood without internet access that would be left out, that the only viable alternative is to decrease the number of issues from 10 to 6 a year.

If you have any comments, please feel free to email any of our RCNA Board members listed on page 2 of the newsletter.

jdsummers



North Austin Municipal Utility District Board of Directors Report on Commercial Development, Parks, and Pool Activities:

Free Firewood and Mulch. The cleanup of the Rattan Creek Greenbelt branches on the ground was completed on July 18 and our contractor Landscape Specialties of Texas did their usual great job of planning ahead so they left the cut up limbs in piles cut firewood size for our use as firewood. They ground up some of the brush finely which they will spread under the grove of trees near the playscape in Rattan Creek Park. The coarser chipped wood in piles is free to us in the neighborhood to take home and to spread on your flower beds.

The only caution is that some of the chipped wood chips may be still green and should be dried a few weeks or so before use on flower beds to let the resin dry a bit.

The contract for our pool operation by

Clearwater Management is being reviewed by Bill Burke and Board members Alan McNeil and Don Conklin.

The Board met with the Hurricanes Swim Team president and a board member to find better ways to share the use of the pool facilities. They will work with Bill Burke to create some lockable storage space for their valuable equipment used each spring and summer. I worked with Bill to repair the sound system for pool users damaged during a break-in last year.

Bill is also working with the McNeil High School swimming coach to help us serve them better during their early morning swim sessions during the school year. They contract for the use of our pool and reimburse the MUD for the cost of the natural gas to heat the pool, a good deal for the school and for the MUD.

Water Rates Increases Being Discussed with the City of Austin. The COA Water and Wastewater department has completed a rate structure study and is recommending rate changes for our wholesale-user water and wastewater rates. The Board voted to hire a company to analyze the proposed rate increase for our MUD and we

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continue to work with other MUD's to assure equitable treatment for water rates.

While the proposed increase is only 4.5 %, the Board is frustrated by any rate increases due to Non-Coincident Peaking factors (NCP) since years ago the COA turned down our offer to build a water tank to minimize the peaking effect on the COA system. The proposed rate changes are planned to be adopted by the City Council on September 10-11. We'll keep working on this and let you know next month.

Writer's Opinion: As a long-time environmentalist, I am increasingly frustrated by the City of Austin's lack of drinking water supply which was only caused by a self-admitted 2 year delay in completing a water supply line. In my opinion, this is not a valid excuse to use to force watering restrictions on the entire city for landscape watering which can result in loss to homeowners of thousands of dollars of shade producing trees and shrubs.

This failure of the Water and Wastewater Department also has created shortages of electricity by the Electric Department that increased the cost of electricity to everyone by the increased natural

gas cost billed as Fuel Charges. And, loss of shade increased the air conditioning electricity required. As usual, last year the City Council made politically influenced knee-jerk policy decisions for the different city departments. As much as I fear the increased homeowner cost and mass confusion likely to result from deregulation of the electric power companies, deregulation may allow the management of Austin Energy to make their own decisions to strengthen the organization and provide low-cost electricity.

For a political decision example: in January 1997 Austin had an ice storm that broke many tree limbs which pulled down electrical lines interrupting power for large areas. The City Council the next day decreed that the Electric department must spend an additional \$4 million dollars (for a total of \$7.9 million) on tree trimming so the lines would not be broken again. I think this was a poor directive because the trees will grow back within a year or so and trimming will be required again. The money should have been spent on moving the lines underground so they would not be subject to tree damage. And also, remember that full size trees provide shade reducing the homeowner's water and electricity use and also provide a

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visually enhanced city. ---- End of opinion. Chuck

Wastewater Line Cleaning and TV Inspection: The large truck with rolls of hose and a connection to a fire plug is still working in the District to clean and identify leaks in the wastewater pipes. No bad breaks so far, but our shifting soil during drought causes problems that have to be repaired periodically. The TV system provides video tape pictures of actual leaks and of probable future problems.

Rattan Creek Park Watering has been managed this spring and summer for optimum plant strength and root depth in preparation for the probable Drought Declaration by the City of Austin. In preparation, we are adding another water meter in the Tamayo Drive water line so we will be able to separate the irrigation water usage from the pool water usage. This will provide us more data to use in managing the two irrigation systems in the park. District Manager Gary Spoons, TexaScapes, and Chuck Simms are also preparing a drought contingency plan for the district.

Vandalism of the Playscape in Rattan Creek Park has been repaired. The three boys (11-12 year olds) are sharing the cost of repairs and of the reward to the person who caught them breaking out the boards. Some of the boys will be doing

community service work for the MUD to work off their repair/penalty costs and they can return to the pool. The pool manager will be supervising the community service work. This is more of the good work our District Manager and pool personnel do with the youth of the neighborhood. If you want another example, come see the kids devour pizza and swim on the Teen Nights.


The Robinson Park Trail project: We met with the contractor on July 13th. We had rain on the 2nd of July and none since then. Anybody want to forecast? Work should begin soon.

Rattan Creek Trail Exercise areas: project by Clearwater Management Co. was completed after the concrete curbs were placed around the exercise areas and a trash container and bench were added near the entrance to the trail near the sand volley ball court.

Rattan Creek Restoration: project is being planned for late this year. LCRA and some other organizations are planning a conference on natural creek restoration this fall where we will be able to get more information on this type of project. We may have the first restored natural creek channel in the state of Texas.

The Reserve at Rattan Creek (Alexan Rattan

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Creek) apartment project on Parmer Lane at Dallas continues to work with the District Engineer and District Manager on the fire control water system changes to reduce MUD cost and liability.

The JPI Apartment Development: construction along Parmer Lane continues with 3-story buildings on the horizon now and a massive water control pond being built near Lake Creek.

The Williamson County Lake Creek Channel Improvement Project that is upstream of the Palmer Lane bridge continues. Our District engineer David Malish says the stream bed is already beginning to finger instead of establishing a main channel. We'll watch and see how bad it gets.

The Amber Oaks Corporate Center which is down 620 from The State Farm Insurance offices on the corner continues to build commercial office buildings. They are now building a road parallel to Briarwick to provide access to the last row of buildings.

Indian Oaks Neighborhood wastewater connection: No change.

A NAMUD #1 Recreation Center building: is being discussed by the Board. We met with the Jollyville fire department who said that the City of

Austin does want future use of the propose fire station site on East Dallas Drive. Keith Collins and Chuck Simms are the Board committee and we are looking for suggestions so go to the NAMUD#1 web site to e-mail your thoughts to us.

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September 2, 2001
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Signature of participant

Date

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Date

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 5 K Run start 8:00 am
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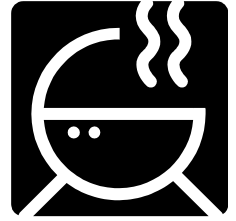
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Be sure to order your shirt and size early. We seem to run out quickly every year.

Rent a Booth!

Rent a booth for the **Tenth Annual Rattan Fest: Sunday, September 2.** Booths to open about 2:00 pm this year.

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The Price is right this year!

RCNA Members booth fees are \$5.
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See page 22 for booth form.

Run for Fun!

**Tenth Annual Rattan Creek 5K Run
 Sunday, September 2, at 8:00 a.m.**

Attention: Anyone who wants to have fun! Even if you are not a marathoner, you'll enjoy running or walking this 5K race. (No rain date)

Registration: \$10 before August 15. To register, complete the registration form in this issue and mail in with your entry fee. Refunds can be made prior to August 31, if unable to participate.



Late registrants may not receive a race t-shirt. This year will have a special 10th anniversary t-shirt.

Run Start: Check in and late registration begins at 7:30 am in the pool parking lot. Run starts at 8 am at the intersection of Tamayo and Elkhorn Mountain.

Awards: Prizes for male and female winners in the following age categories: 13 & younger, 14-25 years, 26-34 years, 35-44 years, over 45 years.

*See page 22 for Run Form.

"CONCERT IN THE PARK"

**Features: Chris Chitsey,
 From 8:30 pm until 10:00pm.**

**This is a FREE CONCERT;
 bring your lawn chairs,
 blankets and dancing shoes.**

RATTAN FEST

10th Anniversary

“CONCERT IN THE PARK”

FEATURING:

CHRIS CHITSEY

Nashville Premier Recording Artist

Sunday, September 2, 2001

Labor Day Weekend

BOOTHS/EVENTS:

Moonwalk (North Hills Community Church)

Mary Kay Cosmetics

Creative Memories

Drinks (by Brownie Troop#604)

Chair Massage

Pampered Chef

BeautiControl

Omnitrition (water & vitamins)

Face Painting

Tupperware

Morgan Stanley

Beaded Jewelry/Mosaics

Baby Blankets/ Christmas Balls

Glaze & Fire Ceramics

Oriental Excursions Candles

Child ID Kits

Los Portales Mexican Food

Big John's BBQ

(chopped beef/sausage wraps)

Sno Cones/Hot Dogs

Picture of Chris

Chris Chitsey

Nashville Premier Recording Artist

Born and raised in Austin, Texas, Chris Chitsey grew up in a town known as "The Live Music Capital of the World."

Touring with a seven-piece band, Chris has opened shows for such acts as *Tracy Byrd, Mark Chestnut, Tracy Lawrence, David Ball, John Anderson, Wade Hayes, Darle Singletary, Blackhawk, Emilio, Johnny Lee, Perfect Stranger, Glen Campbell, Lee Greenwood, Johnny Rodriguez, Gary Stewart and Eddie Raven.*