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NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION



newsletter

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Serving Milwood at North Austin MUD #1 since 1983

Help us reach our goal of 500 memberships in 2015! Join today!

Why should you join?

The Rattan Creek Neighborhood Association is a voluntary organization for anyone residing in our boundaries that brings the community together by hosting family-friendly events, voicing your neighborhood concerns constructively to the MUD, and collaborating with the MUD board to drive positive change in our community. Anyone living in our MUD district can be a member – homeowners, home renters, and apartment dwellers are all welcome! Your dues help fund the RCNA newsletter, our high-touch communication channel that reaches **every home in the neighborhood**. As a community spirit organization, we bring neighbors together for annual events such as a Spring Crawfish Boil, an Easter Egg Hunt, a Members-Only Pool Party, Movie Nights in the Park, Caroling in the Park, and our flagship event – Rattan Fest, which includes food and craft vendors, live music, children's activities, and a 5k run! **As a non-profit organization run entirely by volunteers**, we also give back to our community – partnering with the boys and girls scouts for fundraising opportunities, and offering scholarships to McNeil High School seniors heading off to college.

In 2014, we responsibly managed your dues on a tight budget. We unveiled a fresh new look for the newsletter and turned to an all-volunteer newsletter distribution so that we could use the cost savings to host more events. We added 2 events that were a huge success – the Spring Crawfish Boil and the Adult Swim Night at the Pool. We voiced your concerns to the MUD regarding a more dog-friendly neighborhood and will reap the rewards of having doggie waste stations in early 2015. We provided a new communication channel to reach the RCNA and the MUD through a jointly hosted Town Hall meeting that will continue to be held at least annually. And we processed 15 Architectural Control Committee Applications that helped to maintain compliance to the various deed restrictions around the community.

BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!

The more memberships we have, the more we can do for you and your family!

The realtors in Rattan Creek all agree that the RCNA has played a crucial part in keeping our home values high and making this neighborhood one of the most desirable places to live in Austin. Even if you don't participate in our events, you receive our newsletter and the benefits of a strong community and a powerful voice – so please consider joining today!

Upcoming Neighborhood Events

February 12th	Membership Happy Hour	April 4th	Easter Egg Hunt
March 21st	Neighborhood Garage Sale	April 25th	Neighborhood Crawfish Boil
March 28th	Bulk Trash Pickup	May 23rd	Members Only Pool Party

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P.O. Box 200584 - Austin, TX 78720
<http://rattancreek.org/join/>

Annual (Jan-Dec) Membership Dues - \$25 per household

Membership: Renewal New Total Amt Included: \$ _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

(Your email will be used for RCNA communications only.)

I want to volunteer! Contact me!

RCNA is a voluntary Neighborhood Association for residents within the boundaries of North Austin MUD #1.



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The Rattan Creek News welcomes your letters and guest columns. Letters must have a verifiable signature. Guest columns and letters will be printed on a space-available basis. Neither the Rattan Creek News nor the Rattan Creek Neighborhood Association accept responsibility for the opinions expressed in editorials, letters, or guest columns. The Rattan Creek News reserves the right not to publish any submissions and the right to edit all submissions.

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Email rattancreeknewsletter@gmail.com with the words **Digital Subscription** in the Subject line. A digital copy will also be posted on the Rattan Creek Neighborhood Association website.

**Water Conservation Seminar
Saturday, February 21st | 10am**

The Rattan Creek Garden Club has invited Chris Charles, from the Austin Water Department to come speak about water conservation rebates, measures, strategies, as well as give an overview of the water crisis we face in central Texas. Additionally, a club member will also talk about rain barrel collection (on the cheap) which community members might find useful..



Save Texas Water

This is a FREE community event at the Community Center. ALL Rattan Creek residents, MUD board members, and RCNA board members are invited to attend.



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Sunday Service 9:30 11:00 12:30

Go online at www.gatewaychurch.com to find great connect groups.

(Men's group meets Monday nights at 7:30pm at the Lighthouse next to Big Lots on 183 & McNeil. Come on by or call Lamar at 512-689-8425 for more info.)

Classified Ads

MASSAGE THERAPY - Relaxation or Deep Tissue pain relieving, personalized massages by a licensed therapist with 13 years experience. The "chain" clinics give you only 50 minutes of hands on massage, I offer Full 60 min. or 30 min. hands on massages. Weekday and weeknight hours located in the neighborhood. Call Barbara at 512-918-1824/512-507-4809 or email Barbtex26@gmail.com. (4/15)

DD'S MACHINE QUILTING - Contact me for all of your longarm quilting needs. OR if you have a quilt in mind that you want created, let's talk! I'd love to help you finish your quilting projects! Contact Dawn via email at ddsmachinequilting@gmail.com or call 512-922-2158. (10/15)

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Teen Services Ads

Michael LeBlanc, 14 years old & Dylan McNeil, 13 years old. We are available on weekends to rake and bag your leaves. We charge \$10/hr and supply all the bags & tools. Call/text 512-579-1989. (8/15)

Sophia Bach, 16 years old. I can babysit or petsit. I am CPR and First Aid certified and I have some experience with special needs children. I am available most weekends and weeknights. You can email sophiabach8@gmail.com or call or text me at 512-810-2931. (6/15)

Classified Ad Guidelines

- Teen ads run free, but must be renewed every 6 months.
- Classified ads are 25¢ per word, per issue.
- Payment in full is required before publication.
- No exceptions will be made.
- The date at the end of ad indicates last month the ad will run.
- Deadline is the first of each month for the following month.
- Ads received after the deadline will run in a subsequent issue.
- Ads should be emailed to RattanCreekNewsletter@gmail.com.

Only 6 Homes for Sale in Rattan Creek!

As of January 5 there are only 6 Rattan Creek homes for sale in the Austin MLS (out of 2600 homes)

	# of Homes	Avg. Price	\$ per sq. ft.
Sold 2014	111	\$249,179	\$121
Sold 2013	162	\$214,475	\$107
Sold 2012	144	\$187,872	\$100
Sold 2011	114	\$184,974	\$94

I've lived in our great neighborhood for 17 years & helped over 85 of your neighbors buy and sell their homes!



My Recent Rattan Creek Sales -



6916 Riverton
Listed for \$208,000
SALE Pending



8108 Darwin
Listed for \$258,000
SOLD in November



13201 Humphrey
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SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH
1PM-4:30PM



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Sugar Has Some Not-So-Sweet Effects

By Stacy Dalton

We all know that sugar is very unhealthy. But so much of our economy, and way of life in general, is based upon sugar that it is impossible to remove it. It is a fact that adult-onset diabetes has become epidemic- it has quadrupled in our generation alone!

And even if you don't have diabetes, there are many health problems that can be traced to the food that we are sold. Doctors and researchers are speculating that many of the ailments we suffer from in our modern world have sugar as a major contributing cause. From a **National Geographic** article (*Sugar*, Aug 2013) here is a quote from Richard Johnson, MD, Chief of Renal Disease and Hypertension at the University of Colorado-Denver - "**It seems like every time I study an illness and trace a path to the first cause, I find my way back to sugar.**" And it's not just sugar- it's hundreds of FDA-approved additives in our every-day food that leads to so much illness.

Being a preschool teacher, I see a major difference in children's behavior and their diets. Depending on culture and health-fanatic-ness – the disparity couldn't be more apparent. One day, curious about the nutrition content of the little Frozen and Spiderman lunch boxes – I entered a few meals into My Fitness Pal app. One healthy lunch of banana, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, yogurt, carrots, and a "healthy" juice pouch had over 55 grams of sugar. *That's almost 14 teaspoons of sugar in just one meal.* This child is three years old.

The **American Heart Association** has made the following recommendations about sugar limits:

- Children—Limit to **3 to 4** teaspoons per day
- Adult women/teens—Limit to **5** teaspoons/day
- Adult men/teens—Limit to **8-9** teaspoons/day

Pay attention to how much sugar sneaks into your food. You can stop sugar from robbing you of a healthy diet:

- Look for sugars in your foods. Even "healthy" sugar is still sugar. We do need sugar to survive, but our body is only equipped to process a very little amount of sugar at one time—like a teaspoon or two.
- Read the food label for the sugar content (usually in grams).
- Change the grams into teaspoons: 4 grams = 1 teaspoon, so divide the number of sugar grams by 4 and you have the number of teaspoons:
 _____ grams / 4 = _____ teaspoons

Don't want to do the math? Here are some clues to spot sugar:

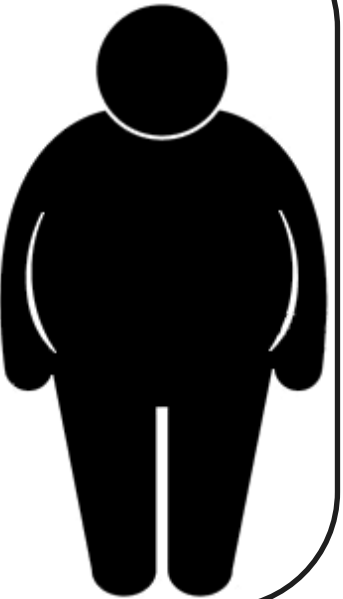
- If you see sugar in the first 1-3 ingredients listed on a food label, it's probably high in sugar.
- Here's a list of sugar's code names, so you can find it even if it's in disguise:
 - ◊ High fructose corn syrup
 - ◊ Honey
 - ◊ Fructose
 - ◊ Dextrose
 - ◊ Sucrose
 - ◊ Fruit juice concentrate
 - ◊ Corn syrup
 - ◊ Syrup

The key is awareness and moderation.

Sugar's effect on our health...

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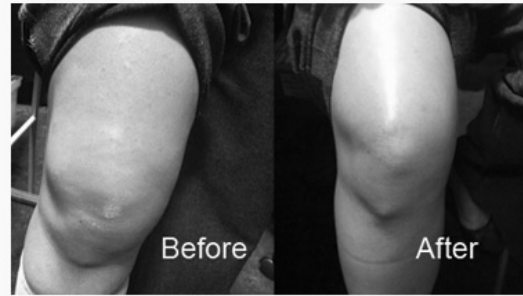

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President's Notes



Happy New Year, Neighbors!

I hope everyone had a lovely holiday season with friends and family, and that you all are successfully avoiding flu season. I myself have been quite the homebody these days, keeping a newborn snuggled up and away from germs wherever possible. Yes, I am that paranoid new mom that I told myself I'd never be!

The early part of the new year is full-on membership mode for the RCNA. We hosted our first ever Drive-thru Membership Day on a Saturday morning in January, and registered more than 30 members - 10 of whom had never been members before! We handed out donuts and coffee and the board members had a blast welcoming back some old friends and meeting new members as well. As it was such a successful event, look for round 2 of this event to happen again in early spring. It couldn't possibly be easier to pay your dues than getting a donut and hot coffee in return, all while never leaving your vehicle!

In our January meeting, the RCNA board approved our 2015 budget and plan to keep all of our regularly scheduled events, as well as keep last year's new events - the Crawfish Boil and the Adult Swim at the Pool - as they were both well received by the community. Registration is already open for the Crawfish Boil on EventBrite - register early so that we can plan for an abundance of bugs and beer to be provided!

Also discussed in our January meeting was a hot topic that I don't anticipate is going to go away anytime soon. We've all felt the pain of the construction on McNeil that's happening to lay fiber for Google's new high-speed network, yet don't get to reap the rewards as it is not being offered in our MUD. I floated the idea to the MUD, and will be following up in a future MUD board meeting, to discuss how the MUD and the RCNA could use our collective voice to find a high-speed internet solution for our community. While neither the RCNA nor the MUD can commit to being successful in such a venture, I think we've got a real opportunity to bring our organizations together and work to resolve a neighborhood-wide issue. What I struggle with, personally, is how to prioritize what I think to be the hot issues in the neighborhood.

What's most important to you, that you'd like the RCNA and the MUD to address? Is it Google Fiber? Is it a Dog Park? Is it a Community Garden? Something else altogether? As you can imagine, our small team of volunteers on the Board can only take on so much, so prioritization is key. Help us ensure we're working on what matters to you, by attending our monthly meetings, sending us emails, or posting your concerns on the RCNA-

administered facebook page (www.facebook.com/rattancreek). (Note that there is also a community-hosted page called "Rattan Creek Neighborhood" that is not managed or regularly viewed by your RCNA board.) Meanwhile, I will commit to approaching the MUD on your behalf to see what we can learn about internet service commitments to our area.

And speaking of the MUD - they are still actively working commitments made to the neighborhood in 2014. The dog waste stations have been approved and planned, and installation will begin in conjunction with other park projects in early 2015. The sidewalk issue is still top of my mind, and I can assure you that, even though it seems progress has not been made, that the MUD Director leading the effort is actively working with our legal team, other Williamson County MUDs, and newly-elected state officials to get our sidewalks repaired. I definitely have a greater appreciation for this particular issue - I thought I damaged my baby's brain just walking him in a stroller on some of the sidewalks around here!!

I know I speak on behalf of the entire RCNA Board when I say that we're very excited to serve you in 2015, and have already started planning our first half of the year events. Join us if you can, we welcome all residents—that includes home owners, renters, apartment dwellers, families, and singles—and work hard to bring you the sense of community that brought you to this neighborhood. Your dues go a long way in keeping our momentum and bringing you more - please pay today!

Renee "ReNeighbor" Curfman
2015 RCNA President

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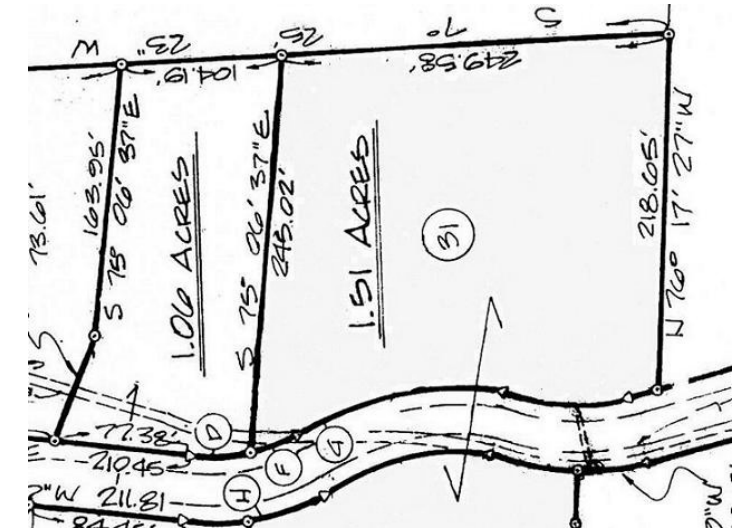
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prevent owners from building more than a pre-established number of homes on one lot. Deed restrictions can also specify what materials or style a building may or may not be constructed of, and how close to the street it can be. Deed restrictions can even specify the minimum size that a house on the lot may be.

Deed restrictions govern more than just the construction of buildings on a property. Restrictive covenants in a residential neighborhood dictate what types of materials fences may be made out of, or establish limits regarding pets, such as how many pets can be kept in a home or the type of acceptable animals. Covenants often protect the aesthetic appearance of the neighborhood by providing a list of acceptable paint colors for the exterior of the house, regulating tree-cutting and other landscaping issues, or prohibiting the use of the lot for storage of campers, trailers, or cars that don't run.

Deed restrictions help protect your investment in the property and neighborhood. If your real estate agent, title company or the seller did not offer you a copy of the deed restrictions, you can request to get a copy of your restrictions below. Make sure you read the deed restrictions closely, as you don't want to end up doing a project that is in violation of your section's restrictions.



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2. Tennis courts are for tennis play only. No soccer tennis. No professional tennis lessons are allowed.
3. Proper tennis attire is required, shirts must be worn at all times.
4. No dangerous or offensive conduct or offensive language will be allowed.
5. No glass containers or alcoholic beverages are allowed inside court area.
6. No pets, bicycles, skateboards, skates or motorized vehicles are allowed on the courts.
7. Time limit of 60 minutes must be observed when others are waiting.
8. A maximum of (4) persons per tennis court. A resident member must be present at all times when the court is in use and will be responsible for their guests.
9. The gate to the tennis court area should be closed and locked at all times.
10. All special activities within the court area must receive prior District approval.

Pavilion Reservations

If you do not have a reservation for the pavilion—you may be bumped for someone who does. If that's the case, YOU WILL NEED TO MOVE. On the day of your event always keep your printed copy with you.


1. You must clean up after your event, take any trash to the dumpster.
2. Print and carry the reservation on the day of event.
3. Reservations are made online at NorthAustinMUD1.org:
 - Go to Parks & Pool
 - Go to Park Pavilion Reservations
 - Enter your 15 digit MUD account #

What are deed restrictions?

Deed restrictions are limitations placed on the deed, which restricts the use on the property within the section or the neighborhood. Restrictive covenants are an example of deed restrictions. Deed restrictions are usually initiated by the developers - those who determined what the land would be used for, divided the land into plots, and built homes, office buildings, or retail buildings on it. Deed restrictions come with the property and usually can't be changed or removed by subsequent owners, without great difficulty.

Deed restrictions such as restrictive covenants are often put in place to maintain a desired look in a neighborhood. To that end, deed restrictions may

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- As a resident of Rattan Creek for 13 years, I understand the community & the fantastic real estate growth we have experienced over the past several years. As reported by ABOR, prices continue to gain traction in 2015.
- I am guided by the principles of "Selling with Soul" by Jennifer Allan and "Millionaire Real Estate Investor" authored by Gary Keller. Free "Millionaire RE Investor" Book for first 3 prospective clients that contact me!

Please contact me at 512.680.1599. I welcome your questions! Detailed Market Analysis include the 'value of your home' in the 2015 market is free.
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Architectural Control Committee

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North Austin MUD 1 — Deed Restrictions
15803 Windemere Dr., Ste. 603
Pflugerville, TX 78660
(512) 251-2934

- There is an \$8.50 charge for the copies.
- You will need your legal description (ie. lot, block, and section of Milwood), so you get the correct set of deed restrictions for your section.

What Does The ACC Do?

The Architectural Control Committee (ACC) handles all submissions related to additions or changes to structural outdoor components of your property. No construction or improvements can begin without written approval of the ACC.

The following improvements are considered projects that require approval from the ACC:

- Backyard Play Equipment
- Decks and Arbors
- Fence Replacement
- Home Addition/Renovations
- Storage Sheds
- Pools

Once all of the required documents and fees are submitted, the ACC will review your submittal data for compliance with Rattan Creek deed restrictions. The ACC has 30 days to respond with approval, denial, or a request for more information.

After you receive your approval letter, you can go forward with your project as you described in your submission. If you go forward with a project without an ACC approval letter, you can be subject to legal action by your neighbors and/or by the ACC.

The Women's Book Club

The Rattan Creek Women's Book Club meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm.
Upcoming club meetings will discuss:

February 11th: This Is Where I Leave You by Jonathan Tropper

March 11th (not spring break week!): One Amazing Thing by Chitra Divakaruni

New members always welcome!

Ladies, don't forget to bring your book suggestions and please consider hosting the next book club...

Dates and book titles are subject to change.
For more book club information,
please contact RCNAbookclub@gmail.com.



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Municipal Utility District #1**

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**North Austin MUD #1
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- Place Three—Secretary (11/16)
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- Place Five—Asst. Treasurer/Secretary (11/16)
Kim Green, 331-6940

The center, pool, park, and courts are owned by NAMUD 1 and professionally managed by **Crossroads Utility Services Company**. Pool/tennis court applications should be submitted by mail or in person at:

**RCNA Community Center
7617 Elkhorn Mountain
Austin, Texas 79729**

**Community Center Desk 512-257-1255
Pool Desk 512-257-1265
North Austin MUD #1 Desk 512-257-1271**

The pool is professionally cleaned and cared for by **Clearwater Management** (512-331-7066).

NAMUD 1 also enforces deed restrictions and handles neighborhood complaints. If you notice a neighbor has violated a deed restriction, send the signed, written complaint to:

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15803 Windemere Dr., Ste. 603
Pflugerville, TX 78660**



Providing North Austin MUD 1 with

- Water & Wastewater Utility Management Services
- Coordinating with Park & Pool Management
- Utility Maintenance
- Accounting
- Billing & Collections
- Local Customer Service

**NA MUD 1 Phone: 512-246-1400
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NORTH AUSTIN MUD 1 RECREATIONAL FACILITIES RULES

North Austin MUD 1 facilities, including Rattan Creek and Robinson Park; tennis and sport courts, soccer fields, pavilions and greenbelts, etc., are for the use of residents of North Austin MUD 1 and their guests.

Residents must be present at all times when using District facilities.

Violators are subject to removal, revocation of privileges and possible prosecution, by order of North Austin MUD #1. All rules will be enforced by the General Manager of the District or its designee.

District Manager: Crossroads Utility Services 512-246-1400

Rules For Use of District's Parks / Greenbelts

1. Curfew for the District's parks and greenbelts shall be 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., other than pavilions, sports courts and tennis courts, which shall have a curfew of 10:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.
2. No destructive activities shall be permitted within the District's parks. The discharge of fireworks, firearms, pellet guns, air soft guns, paint ball guns, bows and arrows, sling shots and other hazardous items shall be prohibited.
3. No golfing within the District's parks and greenbelts.
4. Disorderly conduct and offensive language shall not be permitted in the District's parks and greenbelts.
5. Motor-driven vehicles and equipment are not allowed within the District's parks and greenbelts, except as authorized by the District.
6. Children under the age of eighteen shall not be permitted to smoke within the District's parks and greenbelts.
7. No glass containers shall be permitted within the District's parks and greenbelts.
8. No alcoholic beverages shall be permitted in the District's parks and greenbelts without prior District approval.
9. All pets must be on leash and under the physical control and restraint by their owners at all times when within the District's parks and greenbelts. Droppings must be removed by the owner.
10. No amplified music will be permitted in the District's parks and greenbelts without specific, prior District approval.
11. The District reserves the right to change or impose additional restrictions on use of the District's parks and greenbelts as situations warrant.

Pool Rules

The pool is available to District residents, who have paid their I.D. card fee, and their guests. Only individuals with an I.D. card may enter the pool area. Report lost or stolen I.D. cards to the Pool Manager. Replacement cards can be purchased for a fee.

1. Use of a pool I.D. card by anyone other than the swimmer listed on the current year's registration form will result in forfeiture of that pool I.D. card.
2. No dangerous behavior, unwarranted, or offensive language will be tolerated and 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

3. Running, jumping, skipping in the pool area is strictly prohibited.
4. No pets are allowed in the fenced pool area.
5. Pool may close for ten (10) minutes each hour as a safety precaution.
6. No smoking, alcoholic beverages or glass containers are allowed inside the fenced pool or court areas 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. No person shall distract a lifeguard by talking to, or shouting at a lifeguard while on the stand. One lane is normally designated for lap swimming, but additional lanes may be added the Pool Manager.
9. No coaching activities, other than by parent/guardian are allowed, except as provided by the Pool Manager, McNeil High School or the Hurricane Swim Team.
10. No floating devices are allowed in the pool, except appropriate swim noodles, approved water wings, or swim rings, when accompanied by a parent or approved baby-sitter. A parent or approved baby-sitter must be within arm's reach of non-swimming children at all times.
11. Parents are required to provide written authorization naming a specific approved baby-sitter to attend to their children under ten (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.
12. 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.
13. Lifeguards will not monitor the wading pool. Children in the wading pool must have a parent or baby-sitter present at all times.
14. At the discretion of the Pool Manager and as approved by the District, certain periods of the normal hours of operation may be set aside for specialized activities such as, adults only swim, swim lessons, swim meets, and other special events.
15. 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. Guest(s) must register with the gate keeper upon admission to the pool facility.

PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING APPLICATION

- All members receiving ID badges must be listed, with birthdates, for the application to be considered complete. Children under three 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.
- An application, copy of water bill and check for pool ID cards, tennis swipe cards and/or RCNA must be delivered or mailed separate from your water bill to 7617 Elkhorn Mountain Trail Austin, Tx 78729.
- Tennis court locks are changed annually – around the end of April/ or 1st of May. Access swipes must be purchased once a year. Only ONE key can be issued per household. Replacement fee for lost or stolen keys will be at the same price of a new key.
- Tennis court swipe cards are available for pick up at Rattan Creek Community Center.
- ID Badges, guest passes & tennis court keys are not pro-rated at any time.
- ID cards will be issued to members at the pool after your application is processed and your residency is confirmed. If you bring a copy of your water bill with you to the pool, this will help to speed up the process. ID cards are not mailed.
- In the event a check is returned by your bank, your water account will be posted with the fees for items purchased, plus a returned check fee.
- Replacement fees for lost or stolen ID badges are as follows:

Summer / Winter Badge: \$5.00 each Annual Badge: \$10.00 each



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

North Austin MUD 1 Meetings

9517 Elkhorn Mountain Trail
Austin, TX 78729

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|-------------|--------------|
| January 21 | July 15 |
| February 18 | August 19 |
| March 18 | September 16 |
| April 15 | October 21 |
| May 20 | November 18 |
| June 17 | December 16 |

- Meetings are usually scheduled for the third Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm.
- Meeting dates are subject to change.
- Changes will be posted at www.northaustinmud1.org.

Deed Restriction Complaints

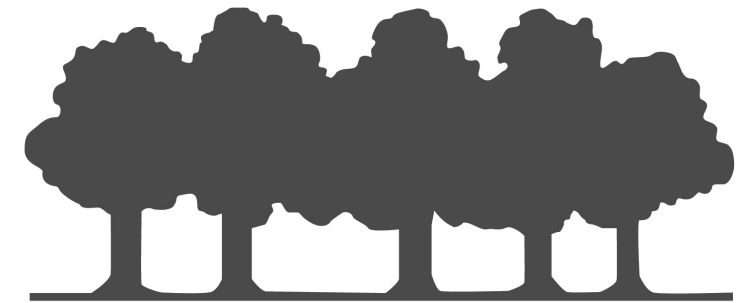
To file a complaint:

- All complaints must be in writing.
- Be sure to list the address of the home in question and the complaint.
- The complaint letter must be signed.

Send your complaint to:

**North Austin MUD 1
Deed Restriction
15803 Windemere Dr, Ste 603
Pflugerville, TX 78660**

*This can be a long process, which takes time.
Do not expect an immediate resolution of the matter.*



Community Pool Hours of Operation



SEASON	WINTER-SPRING	EARLY SUMMER	MID SUMMER	LATE SUMMER	FALL-WINTER
DATE RANGE	January 1 — May 31	June 1 — July 13	July 14 — August 24	August 25 — September 14	September 15 — December 31
Monday	Noon-1:30pm & 4:30-8pm	11am-9pm	9am-9pm	Noon-1:30pm & 4:30-8pm	Noon-1:30pm & 4:30-8pm
Tuesday	Closed	11am-9pm	9am-9pm	Noon-1:30pm & 4:30-8pm	Closed
Wednesday	Noon-1:30pm & 4:30-8pm	11am-9pm	9am-9pm	Noon-1:30pm & 4:30-8pm	Noon-1:30pm & 4:30-8pm
Thursday	Closed	11am-9pm	9am-9pm	Noon-1:30pm & 4:30-8pm	Closed
Friday	Noon-1:30pm & 4:30-8pm	11am-9pm	9am-9pm	Noon-1:30pm & 4:30-8pm	Noon-1:30pm & 4:30-8pm
Saturday	Noon-8pm	11am-9pm	9am-9pm	11am-8pm	11am-8pm
Sunday	Noon-8pm	Noon-8pm	Noon-9pm	Noon-8pm	Noon-8pm
SPECIAL DATES	Closed New Years Day Closed Easter Sunday			Labor Day ONLY 11:00am - 9pm	Closed Thanksgiving Day Closed Christmas Eve Closed Christmas Day

RATTAN CREEK WATER CONSERVATION SCHEDULE



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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| ↓ Hose-End Sprinklers ↓ | ↓ Automatic Irrigation ↓ |
| Before 10am or After 7pm | Before 5am or After 7pm |
| Even Address Sunday | Even Address Thursday |
| Odd Address Saturday | Odd Address Wednesday |

Washing vehicles at home is prohibited. If you need to wash a vehicle, you may do so at a commercial carwash facility.

Exempt from the schedule:

- Watering with a hand-held hose or a refillable watering vessel, such as a bucket or a Tregator®.
- Soaker hoses/automatic tree bubblers under the drip-line of a tree canopy.
- Watering a vegetable garden with a soaker hose.
- Drip irrigation.

Book the Rattan Creek Community Center for your next party!

Facility reservations are handled through the MUD desk at the Community Center or by calling 257-1255.



Rental Rates

Cleaning and damage deposit and Williamson County Sheriff Off—Duty fee:

	In-District Deposit	Out of Deposit	Williamson County Deputy Fee
Event without alcohol	\$500	\$1,500	No Charge
Event with alcohol	\$750	\$2,250	\$50 per rental hour (4 hr min)

For rentals with alcohol: for every 100 people you must have 1 Deputy @ \$50 per hour. For example: 200 people = 2 Deputies at \$100/hour.

Facility Rental Rates

Rooms	Resident*				Non-Resident			
	2 hours	4 hours	12 hours	Add'l hours	2 hours	4 hours	12 hours	Add'l hours
Great Room	\$60	\$100	\$280	\$25	\$180	\$300	\$840	\$75
Conference Room	\$50	\$85	\$235	\$20	\$150	\$255	\$705	\$60
Meeting Room	\$40	\$70	\$190	\$25	\$120	\$210	\$570	\$45
Kitchen	\$50	\$100	\$200	\$25	\$150	\$300	\$600	\$75
Combo: Great Room & Kitchen	\$80	\$150	\$450	\$40	\$300	\$540	\$1,400	\$120

*To qualify for the Resident rate, the person completing the application and paying the use fee must live within North Austin Municipal Utility District #1. We do not allow third party rentals.

Other Fees and Optional Equipment Rental Additional Fees

◆ Setup Fees	Start at \$50/hr (depending on time required)
◆ Optional layout fee by community center staff	\$100/hr (not a standard layout)
◆ Over allotted time penalty rate + rental fee	1.5 times rental fee
◆ After hours fee (after 12am)	1.5 times 2 hour rate
◆ Room cleanup by Community Center Staff	\$50/hr per person plus materials
◆ Contract security (4 hour minimum)	\$50/hr
◆ Sound system (Aux plug to speakers for use with Mp3, iPods)	\$10
◆ TV/VCR/DVD	Not available at this time

Private Parties

- Adults eighteen (18) years and older holding a pool ID 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 11:30pm.
- Reservations must be made at least four (4) days in advance with the Pool Manager. Reservations are confirmed by a \$50 deposit. A reservation is not confirmed until the Pool Manager receives the deposit. The cost for rental of the pool is \$10 per hour plus lifeguard fees.
- Persons responsible for any parties must hire lifeguards. Lifeguards must be those guards that are under contract with the District.
- Any damages resulting from a private party will be the responsibility of the lessee.

NORTH AUSTIN MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 RATTAN CREEK PARK POOL & TENNIS COURT APPLICATION

Application to Use Recreational Facilities and Release of Liability

PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING – INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED

NAMUD #1 Water Bill Account No. _____ Telephone No. _____

Bring copy of your water bill with you if coming in person. (Application will be considered incomplete without account number)

Name _____
(As it appears on NAM1 bill)

Address _____ ZIP _____

Emergency Contact Name _____ Emergency Phone No _____

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 us or our guests. 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 us or our guests. 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)

If you are applying for a tennis access, YOU MUST SUPPLY AN EMAIL ADDRESS IN ORDER TO BE ESTABLISHED IN THE ONLINE RESERVATION SYSTEM. Please PRINT CLEARLY below:

Email: _____

Household Members Attending Pool: All members receiving badges must be listed below. (Badges required for ages 3 and up)

Member Name	Date of Birth	Member Name	Date of Birth
_____	____/____/____	_____	____/____/____
_____	____/____/____	_____	____/____/____
_____	____/____/____	_____	____/____/____
_____	____/____/____	_____	____/____/____

REGISTRATION FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED TO NORTH AUSTIN MUD #1

CHECK MUST BE SEPARATE FROM WATER BILL PAYMENT – DO NOT MAIL APPLICATION W/ WATER BILL

Recreational Fees:	Quantity	Make Checks Payable To North Austin M.U.D. #1 Pool	Check MUST accompany this registration form to be processed.	
_____ In-District Season Badge	_____	_____ Summer (thru Sep 15) _____ Winter (thru Apr 30)	@ \$20 per badge	\$ _____
_____ In-District Annual Badge (Valid May 1 - Apr 30)	_____		@ \$40 per badge	\$ _____
_____ Guest Admittance (only w/ badge purchase)	_____		@ \$2 each (one time use)	\$ _____
_____ 10 Guest Admittances (only w/ badge purchase)	_____		@ \$15	\$ _____
_____ Out-of-District Pool Membership (Up to 4 Badges)	_____	_____ Summer (thru Sep 15) _____ Winter (thru Apr 30)	@ \$200 per household	\$ _____
_____ Out-of-District Additional Badge:	_____	_____ Summer (thru Sep 15) _____ Winter (thru Apr 30)	@ \$50 each additional badge	\$ _____
_____ Tennis Court Access Card (In-District Only)	_____	(Annual Access Card valid through April 30)	@ \$40 (Only One Key Per Household)	\$ _____
_____ RCNA Membership (In-District Only) renews annually in January	_____		@ \$25 per household	\$ _____
Swim Badges/Guest Passes are valid only through: Summer - Sep 15 & Winter - Apr 30.			Total	\$ _____

ALL ITEMS PURCHASED ARE NON-REFUNDABLE

Mail or Deliver to NA MUD 1 Pool 7617 Elkhorn Mountain Trail Austin, Texas 78729