



# Twin Creeks TRIBUNE

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## SPRING CLEANING

As spring approaches, we begin to think about cleanup/fixup for our yards and home exteriors. People will begin trimming trees and shrubbery, repainting their home exterior and power washing and re-staining their wood fences. Some of the fences in the community have had little or no maintenance and are in dire need of a face lift.

If you are going to re-paint the exterior with the same color as originally constructed, or that exists today, you will not need Architectural Control Committee (ACC) approval for this. If you are thinking of changing the exterior colors, you will need to apply for ACC approval.

In accordance with the architectural guidelines, all fences must be maintained in good condition, at all times.

Wooden fencing must be stained and sealed with Penofin Stain in Transparent Redwood, upon initial construction and, thereafter, as required to maintain a consistent appearance with other wooden fences in the neighborhood. You will need to power wash your fence

in order to remove the dirt and grime that has accumulated over the years, before applying any stain. If you desire to use a different stain than the Penofin, you will need to apply for

ACC approval prior to performing the staining of your fence. The Architectural Control Committee may, from time to time, establish other guidelines to govern the frequency of re-staining and requirements for repair and periodic replacement. As a general rule all broken or extremely warped pickets should be replaced immediately. Power washing and re-staining should be done approximately every five years, or as often as needed.

You will also need ACC approval for adding improvements to your yard such as landscaping, play equipment, or generally anything that is highly visible on the exterior of your home and yard. The ACC request form can be found on the community website at <http://twncreeks.com> under "Architectural Approval".



## Show Your Support!

Breast Cancer Awareness and Tennis Event, Rally For The Cure, benefiting Susan G Komen non-profit will take place on Saturday February 4 from 9-Noon at the Barton Creek Country Club. Andy Roddick and the University of Texas Girls Tennis Team will be providing exhibition matches and teaching clinics for the whole family. Light breakfast and prizes for all who attend!! 25\$. To RSVP, please call 512/329-4008 by February 3, 2012.



## Save the Date

TC Twin Creeks Community, Inc.

### Annual Meeting

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

## Twin Creeks Country Club

### Association Email MEETING NOTICE

Subscribe to your HOA meeting notice list to be notified of your next association meeting

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## TWIN CREEKS COMMUNITY COMMITTEES

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In order for the Twin Creeks Home Owners' Association to provide the best service to our community, several committees have been established to allow the participation of residents to help build the best neighborhood possible. Listed below are the five core committees necessary to achieve this goal.

### Social & Recreation Committee

The Social & Recreation Committee helps plan neighborhood events, such as biannual garage sales, holiday parties, and National Night Out, as well as combined events with Twin Creeks Country Club.

### Maintenance Committee

The Maintenance Committee monitors the general condition of the neighborhood and helps identify areas in need of repair or improvement, such as the irrigation system, street lights, or other common property.

### Yard of the Month Committee

The Yard of the Month Committee judges our yards and then selects a different yard each month that exemplifies the orderly and well-maintained look we expect to find in our neighborhood.

### Communication Committee

The Communication Committee helps organize articles for the newsletter and other neighborhood communications, and assists in the establishment of a neighborhood website, news group and email distribution list.

### Neighborhood Watch Committee

The Neighborhood Watch Committee works with the local law enforcement office to establish and maintain a neighborhood watch group to help keep the community safe and secure. This committee depends upon neighbors to become involved by looking out for one another and by knowing what course of action to take if there should be a problem. Volunteers from every neighborhood within our community are needed. Contact Terra Tisdale at terra@tisdale.com or Anne Wilson at annecw1@aol.com to volunteer.

To volunteer for any of the Twin Creeks committees, please contact Kathy Taylor, Property Manager at Goodwin Management, at 512-852-7998 or kathy.taylor@goodwintx.com. Participation in our Home Owners' Association is necessary for Twin Creeks to maintain its unique qualities as a country club community and to ensure a safe, beautifully maintained residential neighborhood for our families.

## TWIN CREEKS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

### *What is Neighborhood Watch?*

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH is a crime prevention program which enlists the active participation of citizens in cooperation with law enforcement to reduce crime in their communities. TWIN CREEKS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH (TCNW) is officially coming to your area and, we hope, to your street and block! We need your help to accomplish our goal. Our motto is "Report Every Crime, Every Time."

*At our last meeting held on Wednesday, January 11, at Twin Creeks Country Club, the following items were discussed:*

- Neighborhood Watch Program signs have arrived and will be installed strategically throughout Twin Creeks.
- Subscribe to [www.spotcrime.com/tx](http://www.spotcrime.com/tx) to learn about crime in our area. You can request a daily crime report within a specified distance from your home.
- Residents were enthusiastic about participating in TCNW. We are still in the planning stages and, thus far, have 16 volunteers to serve as Block Captains.

#### **WHAT IS A BLOCK CAPTAIN?**

- a neighbor who is a point of contact for his/her block and sends out alerts or updates, as needed. He/she will first request

your contact information and distribute Neighborhood Watch materials to you.

- the contact for neighbors who notice anything suspicious ... (after contacting 911 first, if you view the situation as an emergency)
- Block Captains will receive updates periodically from the Chairman of TCNW
- How do you participate?
- be receptive to TCNW and share your contact information with your Block Captain
- volunteer to serve as a Block Captain ... or recommend a neighbor who you think would make a good block captain (see contact information below)

NEXT MEETING: for Block Captains ... or anyone interested in becoming a Block Captain ... Wednesday, February 1, at 7:00 p.m., in the Men's Lounge on the lower level of Twin Creeks Country Club.

For more information,

to volunteer as a Block Captain, or to assist in obtaining Block Captains, please contact Terra Tisdale at [terra@tisdale.com](mailto:terra@tisdale.com) or Anne Wilson at [annecw1@aol.com](mailto:annecw1@aol.com)

  
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## CHEERS for Children

*Mardi Gras Style*

### WINE, SCOTCH AND FOOD TASTING

- February 23, 2012 6:30 – 9:00pm
- Twin Creeks Country Club
- Benefits Dell Children's Medical Center

Northwest Austin Circle of Friends presents our 13th Annual CHEERS for Children event benefiting Dell Children's Medical Center of Central Texas. This exciting event, a premier wine, scotch, and food tasting, will be held Thursday, February 23, 2012, 6:30 to 9:00 pm at Twin Creeks Country Club (3201 Twin Creeks Club Drive, Cedar Park, 78613), nestled in the lovely hill country setting between northwest Austin and Cedar Park.

Your are invited to join us for a fun and exciting Mardi Gras celebration filled with premier wines, single



malt scotches, delicious cuisine from local restaurants, funky jazz music on the veranda and complimentary Mardi Gras beads - all included in the ticket price - as well as live and silent auctions with unique and tempting items. Don your masks and costumes (if you dare), and join the fun – all for a good cause!

Tickets are \$55 in advance (\$65 at the door). 100% of funds raised benefit Dell Children's Medical Center and are directed to The Texas Child Study Center, the mental health program at DCMC.

For more information or to purchase tickets online go to [DellChildrensCircleofFriends.org](http://DellChildrensCircleofFriends.org) (listed under "upcoming events") or contact Elliott Weir, Chairman NWA COF, at [eweir@austin.rr.com](mailto:eweir@austin.rr.com) or 922-2231.



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## American Diabetes Association

### ANNOUNCES INAUGURAL AUSTIN-BASED CENTRAL TEXAS TOUR DE CURE CYCLING EVENT IN 2012

#### *Planning committee seeks sponsors, riders and volunteers*

Now in its eleventh year, the American Diabetes Association Tour de Cure has been a fundraising cycling ride from San Antonio to Austin, Texas. For the first time, in 2012, the event's fundraising efforts will be focused on twenty-six (26) Central Texas counties, and the ride will start and end in Austin at the Travis County Expo Center on May 5, 2012.

"The ADA has decided that it needs to turn up the volume on its efforts to heighten our nation's sense of urgency about the disease, and to move beyond just awareness to encourage people to engaging with the Association in meaningful ways and become a part of the movement to Stop Diabetes®. The Tour de Cure takes place in 43 cities nationwide, and the Central Texas one has been so successful that the national organization encouraged Austin-area leaders to forge its own ride and focus on getting local word out about the cause," says Mercedes Feris, Tour Manager of the Austin-based chapter.

The new one-day, family-focused event, sponsored by lead sponsors Austin Energy and Seton Healthcare Family, will feature various cycling routes for all skill levels (from 15 to 100 miles in length). No matter which distance riders choose, they will be fully supported with route marshals, SAG vehicles, mechanical support, and rest stops stocked with hydration and a variety of snacks. At the finish, there will be an Austin-style



celebratory theme at the Travis County Expo Center with cheering volunteers, live music, great food and much more.

"Though we have made substantial progress in combating diabetes, the number of Americans burdened by this disease continues to grow at a rapid pace," says Jane Koble, Executive Director of the association's Central Texas chapter. "Approximately 8.3 percent of Americans have diabetes. In Central Texas, we're looking at 10% of our population. It's an urgent health issue that touches Texans at a much higher percentage than the general population of the United States and the number of adult Texans with diabetes is expected to quadruple over the next three decades if the current trend continues."

Diabetes can have a devastating impact on the health and well-being of those it affects. People with diabetes are more likely to suffer from complications such as heart attacks, strokes, high blood pressure, or kidney failure.

Type 1 diabetes inhibits the body's ability to produce insulin and can be managed with

insulin injections, diet, and exercise.

Type 2 diabetes accounts for 90 percent of diabetes cases in the U.S. and for those with this type, either their body does not produce enough insulin or the cells ignore the insulin. Individuals can reduce their risk of developing Type 2 by adopting a healthy diet, exercising regularly, and consulting a medical professional about their individual needs and risk factors. The increase in Type 2 diabetes among the Nation's children is linked to the rise of childhood obesity.

Traditionally, Tour de Cure has been the Central Texas chapter's largest annual fundraiser. The planning committee for the 2012 Austin Central Texas Tour de Cure hopes to attract 550 riders to the inaugural event, who will each raise a minimum of \$200 to help prevent, treat, and manage the disease.

For more information, to volunteer or to sign up, go to <http://www.diabetes.org/austintourdecure> or call 1-888-DIABETES. Ongoing updates are also available on Twitter at @DiabetesAustin or the event's Facebook page: "Austin Central Texas Tour de Cure."

The American Diabetes Association is leading the fight against the deadly consequences of diabetes and fighting for those affected by diabetes. The Association funds research to prevent, cure and manage diabetes; delivers services to hundreds of communities; provides objective and credible information; and gives voice to those denied their rights because of diabetes.



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## Austin Newcomers Club February Luncheon

Austin Newcomers Club is a non-profit social and recreational organization of 500 member- households celebrating its 60th year. It is dedicated to introducing residents to the Austin Community and giving them the opportunity to meet and make new friends.

The February luncheon speaker will be Daris Word Hale, who was a lecturer and researcher in Tanzania as a Fulbright Scholar from the United States for the 2010-2011 academic year. She taught music at Makumira University in Arusha, and collaborated with East African composers to create new music for western orchestral instruments. Just freshly repatriated, Daris teaches music at Texas State University, and is a bassoonist in the Austin Symphony Orchestra and Austin Lyric Opera Orchestra. She is a founding member of the international touring groups Wild Basin Winds and Trio 488 which have released four albums.

- **When and Where:** Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at Green Pastures Restaurant, 811 West Live Oak Street, pre-payment \$20.00. Reservations are required.

- **Time:** 11 a.m. Social Hour, Luncheon begins at noon.
- For Luncheon Reservations Email: [LuncheonDirector@AustinNewcomers.com](mailto:LuncheonDirector@AustinNewcomers.com)
- **WELCOME BACK!** To the 67 members who enjoyed the ANC Western Caribbean Cruise in January.
- **MARK YOUR CALENDAR** for our March Luncheon Speaker, Austin Police Chief Art Asavado

To Join Austin Newcomers Club: Any person who has a zip code beginning with 787 is eligible for a new membership with the annual dues payment of \$40.00. Membership includes The Welcome Mat, the monthly newsletter, and the annual Members' Directory. Contact Dotti Thoms, New Member Services, at (512) 314-5100. You are invited to attend a morning or evening Welcome Coffee and Orientation. For more information visit the website at: [www.AustinNewcomers.com](http://www.AustinNewcomers.com).

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**RECIPE OF THE MONTH**

**Paris Potatoes**

- 5 cups potatoes, diced in 1/2" cubes
- 1 C sour cream
- 2 C creamed cottage cheese
- 1 C green onions & tops, finely chopped
- 1/2 tsp. garlic salt, optional
- salt & pepper to taste
- 1 C shredded cheddar cheese

Parcook diced potatoes in boiling water until crispy tender. Drain, and combine potatoes with all ingredients except cheese. Baked in buttered 13 x 9" baking dish at 350° for 30 minutes or until sauce is bubbly. Sprinkle with cheese during last 10 minutes of baking time.

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