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# Austin High School News ———— OCTOBER 2013 ————

November 1 is the LAST day to change a level and/or drop a course for a study hall, off campus (12th grade only) or office aide (11th and 12th grade only). This is the last opportunity to drop a full year course.

Tickets for Football Games: Discounted tickets (\$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students) to all district games will be on sale at AHS the day of game unless the game is Saturday, then the tickets will be sold on Friday during all the lunches. Spirit wear can be purchased at http://austinhighschool. logoshop.com/ or during lunches on some gamedays. Purchase your spirit wear and show your BULLDOG spirit on gameday. Remember that WE ARE ALL AUSTIN!

Homecoming Mums are tentatively scheduled to be sold in late September and distributed in October right before homecoming. Look for the Mum ladies in the Commons during lunch. All proceeds benefit ProGrad. For information about ProGrad 2014, go to http://austinbulldogprograd.weebly.com/.

Angels in Bloom ...- Come to the dinner and silent auction to benefit the Austin High School Angels dance team - Friday, October 18, 2012-5:30 to 9:00 pm at Austin High School. The general public is invited. The Outback dinner will be served from 5:30 to 7:00 pm and the silent auction will close at 30 minutes after the pep rally. For a complete list of auction items and information how to

purchase dinner tickets, visit www.austinbulldogband.org or email Asha Vaidya at vaidyas@msn.com. Attending the AUCTION IS FREE. You must purchase a dinner ticket in advance. Dinner tickets can be purchased until 10/11 from any Austin Angel. This event is in conjunction with the Homecoming Pep Rally and all the events associated with homecoming week. For a full listing of homecoming events, check out AHS Access.

Did you know that Austin now has a Career and College Counselor? Checkout the Facebook page at We Are Austin Go Center. Also, go to AHS Access under College&Careers and see what else is available.

The reputation of Stephen F. Austin's HS marching band is among the best in the US. Fort Bend ISD will present an evening of competitive marching exhibitions during its annual Band Night- featuring 11 band and dance teamson Tuesday, October 22, 2010. The event will be held at Mercer Stadium and will begin at 6:00 p.m. and conclude by 8:45 p.m. Admission is FREE.

Volunteers are always welcome and needed at Austin High. But first you must complete an online criminal history background check EACH school year. Go to the FBISD website to complete this form and then send an email to volunteersaustin@gmail.com with your name and the year your child graduates.

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## Drive Slowly and Park Safely

Please watch out for your neighbors! Drive slowly and friendly. We should be extra cautious on our narrow streets. We would all feel terrible if two neighbors had an accident! Our neighborhood is full of pedestrian walkers and bike riders. Driving slowly lets you look out for them. Obey all the stop signs in the neighborhood. When you drive safely your travel time doesn't change much, you arrive in one piece at your destination and you follow the law. Next time you feel like you are in a hurry and want to drive fast just think about how long it could take you if have an accident.

Another way to increase safety in our neighborhood is to keep your vehicle off the sidewalk when parking in your driveway. Cars parked across sidewalks force walkers and children on riding toys to go out into the street. Do your part to keep everyone – including yourself – safe!





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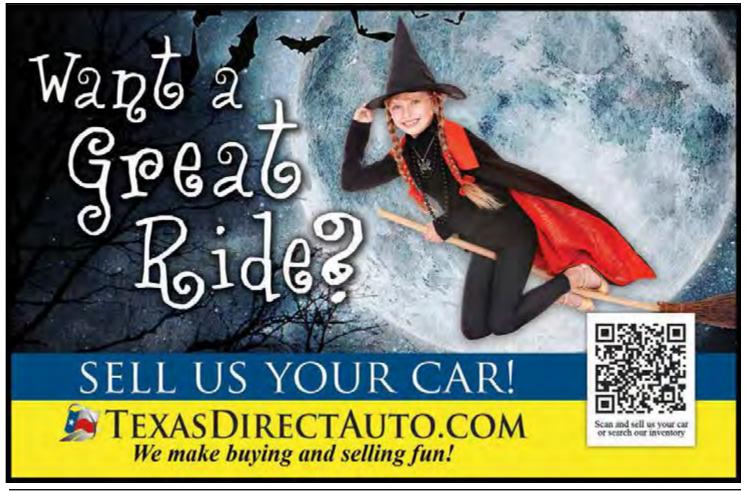
## Do Your Part to Keep Our Lakes Beautiful

Our neighborhood is unique. Most lake neighborhoods only allow home owners to look at the lakes or interact with the water in public areas. We are fortunate to have backyard access to our lakes. We all enjoy the lakes in a variety of ways. We have neighbors who canoe, kayak, paddle board, feed the fish, meditate, and boat around the lake. It is relaxing to sit out back and look at the water. The wildlife is interesting and the breeze created in our backyard micro-climate makes hot summer days more enjoyable. Along with the opportunity to enjoy the water comes a responsibility to protect the lakes. The best plan is to keep everything out of the lakes. Watch for trash blowing from your yard along with coolers, plastic toys, balls, trash cans, buckets, etc...

The Lake Management Company comes every Thursday and clean trash out of our lakes. The number one enemy of the fountains

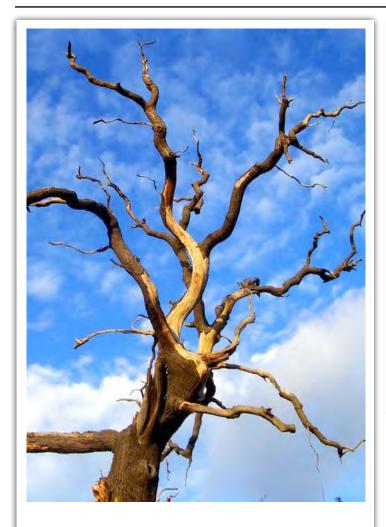
is plastic bags. If you see a plastic bag or other floating plastic items in the lake please remove it if you can do so safely. Keeping one plastic bag from being stuck in a fountain may save thousands of dollars. Our fountains are between seven and nine years old. They are nearing the end of their useful lives and the Board has a replacement plan ready when one fails and is considering the addition of more fountains at the canal intersections.

Thanks for keeping the lakes safe and clean by watching the chemicals that you use around your yard and dock. Remember, our lakes are our most important amenity. The lakes make this community unique and desirable. With all of us working together our property values will continue to increase as our area develops. As the weather cools down a bit it will be even more fun to get outside and enjoy your lake!



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# ARE YOU KILLING YOUR TREE?

Are your trees being strangled? Some of the homes in our neighborhood still have the stabilizer posts around their trees and in some cases the trees are still tied to the posts. Unless you have recently planted your tree most trees in our neighborhood are large enough to do without the stabilizer posts. In some cases the wire that held the tree when it was young has now grown into the bark of the tree. In ability to bring water and nutrients from the roots to the leaves.

Remember that trees need all year long. Use your sprinkler system during all dry periods. You might consider upgrading your sprinkler system with a smart system. There is a small piece of equipment that can be easily attached to your fence. The system will check the weather and water more when it is hot and dry and less when it is cool and wet. That saves our important resource of water and it saves you money.

## PLEASE GLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PETS

The number one source of the water pollution in our area is pet waste. Thank you to our neighbors who always pick up their pet's waste. All pet waste must be picked up and disposed of with the garbage. When it is left on the grass at the curb or in your backyard it is washed into our lakes.

The Beautification Committee has placed pet stations all over the neighborhood. Be a responsible pet owner. Please either use the pet stations or dispose of the waste in your trash. But either way, please don't let the waste get into the lake. Thanks for doing your part!





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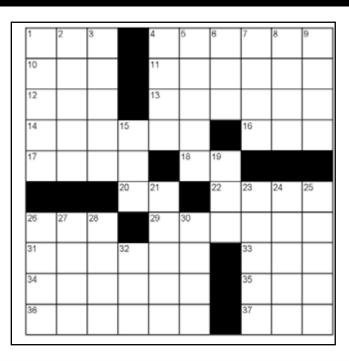


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## **CROSSWORD PUZZLE**



#### ACROSS

- 1. Owns
- 4. Short people
- 10. Grain
- 11. In the air
- 12. Single
- 13. Nun's headwear
- 14. Musician (3 wds.)
- 16. Homesick
- 17. Booty
- 18. Horsepower (abbr.)
- 20. Cincinnati locale
- 22. Hasten
- 26. Mountain Standard Time 23. Pimpled
- 29. Eras
- 31. Cover
- 33. Eccentric
- 34. Beaches
- 35. Vane direction 36. Hug upon greeting
- 37. Danish krone (abbr.)

#### **DOWN**

- 1. Coat hangers
- 2. Root beer brand (3 wds.)
- 3. Stone
- 4. Aurora
- 5. Ponder
- 6. Build up
- 7. Holes
- 8. Syllables used in songs (2 wds.)
- 9. Sledge
- 15. Gone by
- 19. Not against
- 21. Cycles per second
- 24. Glob
- 25. Organic compound
- 26. Soft mineral
- 27. Prig
- 28. Tyrant
- 30. Mexican money
- 32. North American country

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- · Atascocita CIA
- Atascocita Forest
- Blackhorse Ranch
- · Bridgeland
- · Chelsea Harbour
- Coles Crossing
- Copperfield
- · Cypress Creek Lakes
- Cypress Mill
- Eagle Springs Fairfield
- · Fairwood
- Kleinwood
- Lakemont
- Lakes of Fairhaven
- · Lakes of Rosehill
- Lakes on Eldridge
- Lakes on Eldridge North
- · Lakewood Grove
- · Legends Ranch
- Longwood

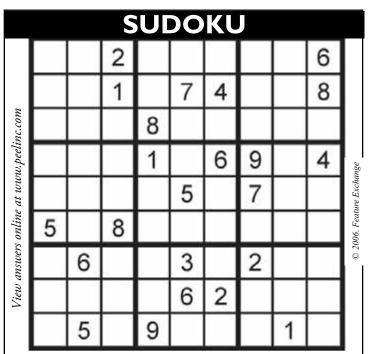
- Normandy Forest
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- · Riata Ranch
- · Riverpark on the Brazo
- · Shadow Creek Ranch
- Silverlake
- Steeplechase
- · Stone Forest
- · Stone Gate
- Summerwood
- Towne Lakes
- · Village Creek
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