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Many Thanks to Grace Howell for our website:

<http://newcna.wordpress.com/>

**Neighborhood Association  
General Membership Meeting  
Thursday 7:00 P.M.  
April 28  
Holy Word Lutheran Church  
10601 Bluff Bend Dr.**

**Upcoming Events:**

**APRIL 28, Quarterly Association General Membership Meeting.** - ALL Residents Invited, members and non-members. Bring your neighbor

**May 3 and 21 - Bi-Monthly Neighborhood Cleanup** - Neighborhood cleanup held the first Tuesday and third Saturday of each month. Meet corner of Braker and Wedgewood at 9:00AM.

**Future Quarterly Association General Membership Meetings.** - July 28, & October 27, 2011, & January 26, & April 26, 2012 (Fourth Thursday).

**Austin City Council Elections 14 May 2011, Early voting May 2 thru 10, 2011.**

**Neighborhood Garage Sale 29-30 April**

**Neighborhood Picnic October (Date TBA) 2011**

**REGISTERED MEMBERS - 55**

**Neighborhood Yahoo Group**

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/NEWCNA/>



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### Yard of Month

<http://newcna.wordpress.com>

has Photos of the Yards of the Month in the beautification section.

### NEWCNA PREZ COMMENTS

Do you have pride in your neighborhood?

Are you concerned about your property values?

Are you willing to donate one hour of your time once a month to help with the common areas?

Would you like to "adopt" a portion of the frontage road closest to your home?

So ask your family, neighbors, & friends if they can help you work out a plan. With 750 homes in Four Seasons, Hillside, and North Oaks, I'm sure the neighborhood has a lot of self starters. Any Takers? Dave will put your group's picture in the newsletter!

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## Easy Lawn Care

The season of the lawn is upon us! More than likely we will find watering restrictions in place this summer as officials are predicting a drought. Here are a few tips for saving time, money, and water on lawn care:

- **Water early in the morning** – Watering during the coolest part of the day will allow more water to get to the grass instead of evaporating in the air.
- **Consider using sprinklers that are low to the ground** – Sprinklers that allow water to shoot high into the air are not as effective as sprinklers that keep water closer to the ground. When water goes high into the air wind and evaporation will lessen the amount of water that actually makes contact with the ground.
- **Water infrequently and deeply** – Encourage your grass to set deep roots by watering for longer periods of time, but not as often. In the heat of the summer, depending on your lawn's sun exposure, you can usually get away with watering once a week.

You can have both an organic and beautiful lawn! Our neighborhood is blessed with abundant wildlife, mature trees and a wonderful creek. It is important to remember that anything we put on our lawns and streets drains directly to Walnut Creek. Consider switching to organic lawn and garden care to avoid washing chemicals from your yard to your neighbor's yard and then to the creek. Organic lawn care focuses on balance and prevention. Conventional pesticides and fertilizers disrupt natural balance in your soil thereby increasing the need for even more conventional pesticides and fertilizers. Our soil is full of beneficial micro-organism which, when allowed to flourish, will keep harmful pests in check. How to control weeds, the natural way:

There are a few approaches to weed elimination and prevention. If you mow your lawn weekly and even bi-weekly you may keep weeds in check by mowing them down before they go to seed and multiply. You can also use



weed puller to help you get them up by the root.

#### **Apply corn gluten for weed prevention:**

*Corn gluten meal is a natural weed and feed fertilizer. It should be broadcast to prevent grassburs, crabgrass, and other annual weeds that germinate from seed. The key is to broadcast the material before the weed seed germinate.*

*For the cool season or winter weeds, broadcast in early Fall at 15 - 20 pounds per 1,000 square feet for the control of henbit, dandelions, annual bluegrass and other winter weeds. It also serves as a powerful organic fertilizer having about 9-10 percent nitrogen.*

*Do not use prior to planting anything from seed.*

*Corn gluten meal replaces the need for other fertilization for that period. ([www.dirtdoctor.com](http://www.dirtdoctor.com))*

**You can find a variety of organic lawn and garden care items at Lowes, Buck Moore, The Natural Gardener, Gaddy's and Callahans.**

**In the July newsletter we will discuss how to "top dress" your lawn with compost and organic pest control.**

**Questions? Comments? Feel free to email me! Ashley – [themagicash@gmail.com](mailto:themagicash@gmail.com)**



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As reported about a year ago, the object above is a street light installed on January Dr. The number for the Lighting Engineer to request Installation of a street light is:

**505-7232**

A note of caution, be sure your neighbors are agreeable to having the light installed.



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#### **New Four Seasons VP**

Please welcome Ashley Holmes , see her green article above, as our New VP for Four Seasons.

#### **Keep Austin Beautiful Clean up**

Many thanks to Phil & Vi Stoke and David & Theresa O'Quinn for participating in the KAB clean up on 9 April 2011.

#### **Green Neighborhood**

We are also looking into the Green Neighborhood Challenge to see if we can become qualified for the designation.

## Parking on Lawns

The NEWCNA Executive Committee is preparing a petition to the City of Austin to have our neighborhood designated as prohibiting front and side yard parking. This will be discussed at the April General Membership Meeting.

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## City of Austin Council Elections

### Place 1

Josiah James Ingalls  
Chris Riley (Incumbent)  
Roger Chan  
Norman Jacobson

### Place 3

Kathie Tovo  
Michael "Max" Nofzinger  
Kris Bailey  
Randi Shade (Incumbent)

### Place 4

Laura Morrison (Incumbent)  
Eric J. Rangel  
K Toby Ryan Hill

Austin is one of last of the "big cities who still elect their council members at large.

Election Day 14 May 2011, Early voting 2-10 May

## North East Walnut Creek Neighborhood Association

### Membership

We encourage everyone to become a member of the association. \$15.00 a year (Jan-Dec) for each household supports activities and programs sponsored by your neighborhood association.

Mail Payments to: NEWCNA, 1302 March, Austin, TX 78753

Year you moved into your home: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Residents: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail is NOT used for solicitations or advertising**

It is used to send updates, reminders and notices from the association.

Neighborhood concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

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Ideas to make neighborhood better: \_\_\_\_\_

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