Hudson Bend Colony Neighborhood Association of Lake Travis

NEWS

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The Annual Neighborhood Association picnic was held June 14, 1997 at the home of Lee and Diane Biggart. Approximately 75 people attended and enjoyed a delicious catfish dinner. The only business of the day was the election of officers.

The following members were elected as officers and directors:

Officers:	
R.B. Khig - President	266-3760
Charlie Rogers - Vice President	266-1816
Patti Stalik - Secretary	266-3511
Debi Moran - Treasurer	266-9090
Directors:	
J.R. (Randy) Lacey	266-2317
Sharon Cook	266-2153
Kathy Pugsley	266-2662
Lee Biggart	266-3378
Jim Chapman	266-9286

The board decided at its first meeting in July to have meetings the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 P.M. at Lee Biggart's home. The meetings are open to all HBCNA members, residents, and other interested individuals. Every other monthly meeting will include a committee work session. The committees established to date are:

1. Deed Restrictions

By-Laws

3. Beautification

4. Newsletter

Please come and volunteer your time and talents. Other committees will be formed as needs and interests dictate. Call any officer for information on committees.

The Board is pleased to announce the retention of Leland McKeeman, a board-certified real estate attorney, as attorney for HBCNA.

In addition to providing the Board with advice regarding its efforts to further improve deed restrictions and the enforcement of those restrictions, Mr. McKeeman will be monitoring the counterclaim filed against HBCNA as

intervenor in the lawsuit in which a group of Pool Canyon residents (the Plaintiffs) filed suit against Sandra Heatly attempting to enforce the no mobile home deed restriction against those Plaintiffs. Ms. Heatly also filed a counterclaim against the Plaintiffs. It should be noted that the current Board voted at its first meeting following its election to withdraw from the intervention lawsuit. Before the withdrawal could occur, Ms. Heatly filed her counterclaim against HBCNA, effectively blocking HBCNA's withdrawal from the lawsuit.

The Board is considering holding a second "Town Meeting" next spring to solicit further input from property owners for an upgraded dedicatory instrument and to identify other concerns of HBCNA members.

See page 2 of this newsletter for a report of the outstanding efforts of Jody Taylor and the new Beautification Committee.

A revision of the HBCNA bylaws spearheaded by Charlie Rogers and Jim Chapman is nearing completion.

As you can see, your Board has been busy. If you have concerns or suggestions, please take the time to call a Board member or stop by the next Board meeting.

AN ITEM OF INTEREST

Are you interested in incorporating the Hudson Bend area? Contact Lee Biggart with your thoughts on this matter.

NEWS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Several new neighbors have moved to Hudson Bend Colony, and some are planning moves in the near future.

David Kneblick and his wife Belinda and child Ryan have purchased a lot on Hudson Bend Road and have put in a new manufactured home. The Kneblicks' lot is unrestricted under the original deed restrictions. Skip and Susan Petty and son Trey have built a new home at 5706 Hudson Bend Road.

Ralph and Rhonda Cain and their son Randy of 16013 Edwards Drive are having their new home built at 16111 Lake Travis Drive.

Martin and Kirsten, and daughter Rose Jacobvitz purchased Louise Gardner's home at 6109 Hudson Bend Road. They have begun demolishing the current home to begin construction of a new home.

We remember Bobby Joe Bible, one of the original residents of Hudson Bend Colony and a member who lived on Elm Drive, who died this past year.

Congratulations to realtor Paul Hemmer of Elm Drive on his recent association with Scenic Properties.

Buddy and Janet Burton and daughter Mara have renovated their home at 16303 E. Lake Shore Drive.

Ron and Christine Nowak and their family have purchased Henry Spillar's home (site of the famous bluebonnet patch) on Hudson Bend Road as a temporary residence pending completion of their new home high in the sky off the marina road on E. Lake Shore Drive.

Kudos to Larry Grider and Cheryl Williams for their Yard of the Month Award from the Hudson Bend Garden Club.

A special thanks to Diane Bennett of Median Road for picking up trash on our neighborhood streets during her morning walks.

Neighbor Bob Easley passed away suddenly October 22, 1997. Our sincere sympathy goes out to his family and friends.

Laura Mooneyham has just moved into her new home on Pool Canyon Road.

Congratulations to Bill and Loni Price of Lake Travis Drive on the birth of their daughter this summer.

A special thank you to Bob and Erma Campbell for their years of hard work for HBCNA. The Campbells have sold their home on Hudson Bend Road to the Sitzmans and will be moving to

Colorado before year's end. Bob and Erma - we will miss you!

TIPS ON BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR Please remember the speed limit for the Hudson Bend Colony is 30 MPH. We do not plan to install speed bumps, although the county does allow neighborhood associations to do so.

Be a good neighbor. Keep all dogs in their own yard. It is for the animal's protection as well as your neighbors'.

COMMITTEESBeautification

BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM HUDSON BEND COLONY NO. 2

Proposed plans are underway to erect a sign and landscape county property at the intersection of Hudson Bend Road and Rocky Ridge Road. Also, plans are to erect columns marked Hudson Bend Colony at each street in the neighborhood and landscape some areas with wildflowers.

On September 7, 1997 the a box plans were mailed to Valarie Bristol, Travis County Commissioner - Precinct 3. In her letter dated September 19, 1997 Commissioner Bristol expressed her thanks for our interest in keeping our community safe and beautiful. Commissioner Bristol has asked Steve Manilla in their Transportation & Natural Resources Department (TNR) to research our proposal and contact us with their findings and recommendations. Mr. Manilla will keep Commissioner Bristol informed on the issue in order that her office can help and support any recommendations TNR makes.

Adopt a Street is a part of our beautification program. Median Road had been adopted by almost every family living on Median Road. James Benson has always kept our street mowed and plans to continue mowing. Kathryn Carpenter, Ann Hilbig, Cindy Banister, and Nancy Weiss have also volunteered to support with cleanup. Even my spouse (when he isn't bass fishing, playing guitar, or singing) helps keep our street clear of weeds and trash!

Debi Moran and Patti Stalik have adopted Elm Drive and E. Lake Shore Drive to keep clear of weeds and trash. Walter Allan of Median Road has volunteered to serve on an ad hoc committee. Mr. Allan designs and builds signs. He is an artist and sculptor. His studio has been open for tour during the Bluebonnet Bash.

Volunteers are needed to chair and serve on committees. Your support in the beautification of Hudson Bend Colony is greatly appreciated. Call me at 266-2810 if you are interested in sharing your ideas, your time, and talent on the beautification program.

While driving through our neighborhood, it is beautiful to see that the majority of the streets are kept fairly free of trash and debris. Thanks to all of you who help keep our streets safe and clean.

By practicing firesafe landscaping (keeping trees trimmed of dead limbs, high weeds mowed, etc. and home maintenance) you are protecting your home from fire as well as protecting your neighbor from fire!

LET'S KEEP OUR NEIGHBORHOOD SAFE AND BEAUTIFUL!!!

Jody Tayior, Chairman Beautification Program Hudson Bend Colony

MEMBERSHIP

You are encouraged to join the Neighborhood Association. The dues are \$25.00 per year. This entitles you and your family to attend the annual picnic, to vote, and to receive newsletters and notices of important events affecting our neighborhood and our property. Members are also entitled to utilize the boat ramp at Lake Travis Marina. Contact Jim Chapman for details on boat launching.

Send your \$25.00 dues to Debi Moran - Treasurer, 16309 E. Lake Shore Drive, Austin, Texas 78734.

To submit news for upcoming newsletters, call Debi Moran at 266-9090 or Patti Stalik at 266-3511.

Water District 17 to Make Line Improvements in Hudson Bend Area By: Debbie Gernes, General Manager WCID #17

Water District 17 has contracted with Keystone Construction Co. to make waterline

improvements and install additional hydrants in sections of the Hudson Bend area. Within the next few months, work will begin to replace the 3-inch lines on South Ridge and Lake Travis Drive/Hopkins Drive with 6-inch waterlines. New hydrants will also be installed at the following locations:

Lake Travis Drive and Edwards
Lake Travis Drive and Hudson Bend Road
Hopkins and Forest Way
Hopkins and E. Lake Shore
Pool Canyon and Hudson Bend Road
End of South Rocky Ridge
Rocky Ridge and Feather Rock
Beacon and La Hacienda
Beacon and Awalt
Caliche and Rock Creek
Hudson Bend Road halfway between Rocky
Ridge and Forest Way
Two on South Ridge

The locations were selected for upgrade based on the age of the lines and the population of the area. Hudson Bend has some of the oldest and smallest lines in the District.

Hydrant locations were selected to give coverage to populated areas where fire profection was lacking. Also in this year's budget were improvements to sections of the RR 620 waterlines.

District 17 hopes to continue with improvements as money becomes available.

Please call Debbie Gernes at WCID #17 (266-1111 ext. 13) or WCID #17 Director Patti Stalik (266-3511) with any questions.

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