



## A Message from the NWACA President

*Joyce Statz*

Thanks to everyone who took part in the October 3 Neighborhood Garage Sales! We had 52 homes participating, and we're told that they sold a lot. Keep it in mind for next year. If you didn't get to it this time; we'll be doing it again in the September-October 2016 timeframe.

In recent news about the Austin Oaks PUD, the owner has a new lawyer, replacing the Drenner Group. He is Michael Whellan from Graves, Doherty, Hearon, and Moody. On October 7th, a small group of representatives of area neighborhood associations and HOAs met with Mr. Whellan and Jon Ruff, the property owner. Discussion covered the key concerns of the neighborhoods, how the PUD zoning process has unfolded thus far, and the neighborhoods' interest in having a collaborative community conversation with the developer and the City about this property. Mr. Ruff and Mr. Whellan agreed to pursue the idea of a charrette, and work is underway to identify charrette leaders and lay out a plan. This is likely to involve a multi-month effort of data gathering, background information dissemination, a week of workshop days, and finalizing agreed-to documents. We will keep you informed on how you can be involved as plans evolve. The latest updates will always be placed on the Austin Oaks PUD page at [www.nwaca.org](http://www.nwaca.org)

As you go about your day, the NWACA Wildlife Management

Committee asks that if you see a feral hog in the neighborhood, please call 311 immediately and give them the location, so that they can dispatch Animal Control to be sure everyone's safe and try to remove the animal. Then, please send us a note at [nwacainfo@gmail.com](mailto:nwacainfo@gmail.com) with the same information. Thus far, a sighting was reported on Bon Terra Drive, and yards have been dug up in the area – the first instance we know of east of Loop 360. These animals cause tremendous damage to property (imagine a 400-pound armadillo rooting in your yard!). They're omnivores, so they eat not only plants, but also carrion and small animals. For more information, check out this link: <http://tinyurl.com/TexasFeralHogs>

This issue has many informative articles about upcoming events and neighborhood concerns. As I write this, we can smell the smoke from fires in Bastrop County, so the very real threat of wildfires in our canyons raises its head again. Please read the Virtuous Firewise Pyramid Scheme article, to learn how you can help make our whole neighborhood safer. Notice the article on wheel theft – if your street doesn't yet have Neighborhood Watch, make it happen. For those who don't have access to it online, we've included in this issue our annual Neighborhood Interest Survey, which helps the NWACA Board and committees set their agendas for next year. Thanks so much for your input!

Enjoy the issue!

## What is NWACA?



The Northwest Austin Civic Association (NWACA) serves the area bounded by Spicewood Springs Road, RM 2222, Mopac, and Loop 360. Formed in 1970, NWACA helps to foster communication and discussion regarding broad concerns of the whole neighborhood, such as crime prevention, traffic safety, wildfire prevention,

elections, and zoning matters.

NWACA's mission: to preserve, promote, and enhance the exceptional and unique character of the neighborhood. That mission is carried out through a wide range of activities and services performed by an elected volunteer board and a dozen committees of volunteers. See [www.nwaca.org](http://www.nwaca.org) for information on how you can get involved (click on the Get Involved section).

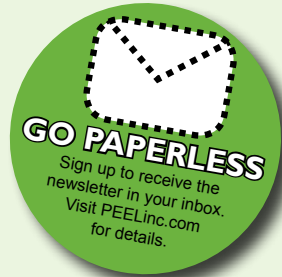
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The NWACA Board meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, except December. Please visit our calendar at [www.nwaca.org](http://www.nwaca.org) to see the specific time and location. If you wish to speak at a Board meeting, please send email a week before the meeting, so that we can get you on the agenda.

NWACA is bordered on the north by Spicewood Springs Road, on the west by Loop 360, on the south by RM 2222, and on the east by Mopac (Loop 1).

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# NWACA AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS NOVEMBER '15

**NOV 1, 2 PM**

*Kneaded Pleasures*

NWACA Parks Committee

**NOV 3, 8 AM**

*Kneaded Pleasures*

NWACA Communications Committee

**NOV 3, 5 PM**

*Temple Beth Shalom*

*Room 201, 7300 Hart Lane*

NWACA Zoning and Transportation Committee

**NOV 4, 8:30 AM**

*Kneaded Pleasures*

NWACA Crime and Safety Committee

**NOV 5, 8 AM**

*Kneaded Pleasures*

Membership and Sponsorship Committee

**NOV 7, 8AM TO 10AM**

*Doss Parking Lot*

Batteries, Oil, Paint, Antifreeze (BOPA) Collection  
for NWACA members only (you can join at the event)

**NOV 12, 6:30 TO 8:30 PM**

*Mangia Pizza*

NWACA Monthly Board Meeting

**NOV 13, 6 TO 9 PM**

*Lamar Middle School*

*6201 Wynona Drive*

Lamar Fest [see article for details]

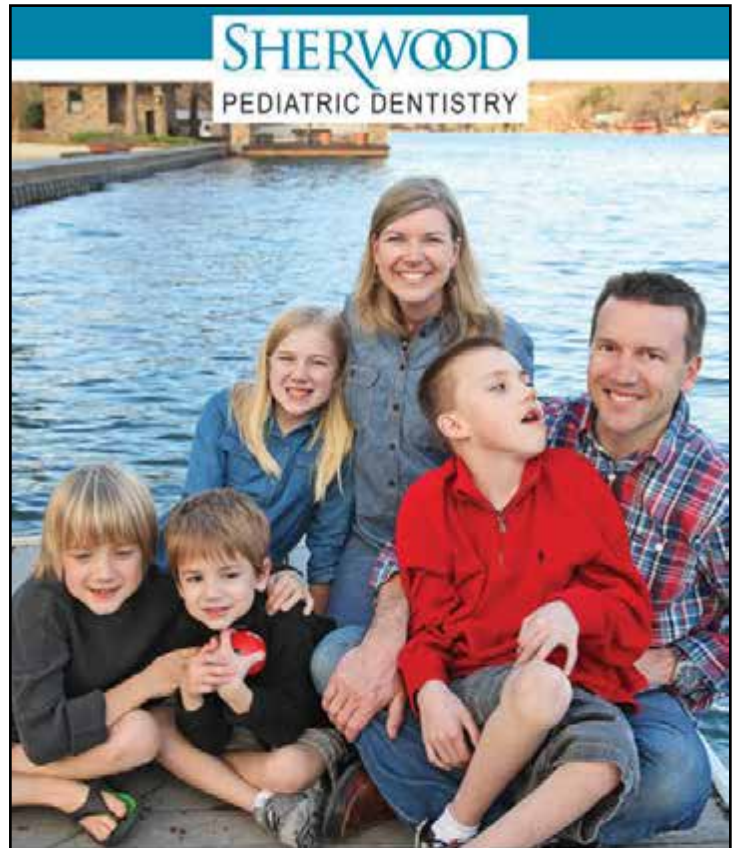
**NOV 14, 8AM TO 1:30 PM**

*Shred-It Facility*

*4129 Commercial Center Dr.*

Free Household Shredding [see article for details]

*Note: For each of these events, please check our web site for the latest information, since meetings may be rescheduled because of other conflicts.*



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# NWACA News

## BOPA Event Coming on November 7

Joyce Statz

Saturday, November 7, 8 AM to 10 AM, NWACA will collect certain household waste items that cannot be put into the trash, at the Doss Elementary School Parking lot at Far West and Northledge Drive. Because state regulations limit our transporting certain items, we can accept only Batteries, Oil and Oil Filters, Paint, and Antifreeze (BOPA). We will be collecting these items from NWACA members and from BCA members only at Doss Elementary School; we must close at 10 AM, to be able to get the materials to the City site and unloaded before they close at noon. If you're not a NWACA member, you can join at the event.

Austin's Resource Recovery Center will accept other hazardous wastes like lawn chemicals, fluorescent bulbs and tubes, cleaners, solvents, and insecticides. The Center is open 8 AM to 4 PM Monday-Friday, and the staff will unload your items. For location and details, see <http://www.austintexas.gov/hhw>

A neighbor has also volunteered to take for recycling the plastic yard signs that you want to get rid – old school fundraising signs, outdated campaign signs, etc. These shouldn't go into the trash, because they can be recycled. Bring those along to this event, too.

## Lamar Middle School Fest

Julie Jones

**Lamar Middle School's Lamar Fest is Friday, November 13th, 6-9pm, 6201 Wynona Drive.**

Join us for fall fun and celebrate the 60th anniversary of Lamar Middle School. Bring the family and support our incredible school at the one and only fundraiser of the year. Wrist bands and tickets can be purchased at the door. Featuring Henna Tattoos, Pick a Prize, Fun Store, Wrecking Ball, Gyroscope, Bungee Run, Live Music, Tailgate Cafe which includes: Tamale Addiction, Craig O's Pizza, Jim Jim's, P. Terry's, Funnel Cakes, and Cotton Candy. If your business would like to purchase a sponsorship and have a sign hanging on Burnet road for the year, go to [lamarmiddleschool.org/LamarFest/sponsorship](http://lamarmiddleschool.org/LamarFest/sponsorship). For general information go to <http://www.lamarmiddleschool.org/lamarfest/>



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## Free Household Document Shredding

*PSA for ARMA*

The Austin Chapter of ARMA, an association of records managers and administrators, in partnership with Shred-It are sponsoring the third annual Free Fall Shred Day:

**November 14**  
**8 AM - 1:30 PM**  
**Shred-It Facility**  
**4129 Commercial Center Drive**  
**Austin, TX 78744**

Only dry paper packed in cardboard boxes no larger than 24x24x36 inches with fitting lids will be accepted. Securely closed box flaps are also acceptable. Bring no hard plastics, plastic bags, electronic media, batteries or three-ring binders. All shredded material and cardboard boxes are recycled. More information: <http://www.austinarma.com/shred-day>

## Update on Stillhouse Hollow Nature Preserve

*Janelle Medrano*

Stillhouse Hollow Nature Preserve still needs help from the community to meet the matching funds requirement for the Austin Parks Foundation grant that is paying for the new entrance sign, three benches, and an information kiosk. Those amenities are to be installed before mid-December, and we need an additional \$600 in our matching funds. If you'd like to contribute, send us a message at [nwacainfo@gmail.com](mailto:nwacainfo@gmail.com).

Here's an update on the Stillhouse Deck - Austin Parks and Recreation Department will fund a new deck, and the project process is well underway with plans for the contractor of the kiosk project to also construct the deck. PARD hopes to complete the deck before nesting season starts in March, 2016. We appreciate the assistance of Council Member Gallo in opening discussion that moved this project forward.

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## Murchison Pool Project – First Results

*Caroline Alexander*

The first installment of the Murchison Pool project was recently completed - the two large umbrellas are casting their beautiful shade across the picnic tables beside the pool. These umbrellas were funded in large part by the Austin Parks Foundation grant that we were awarded in June.

The second installment - the picnic pavilion, tables, and benches - should be completed by the end of the year.

Again, thank you to the 100+ neighbors and businesses who contributed to our campaign. Murchison Pool will be shady with plenty of seating in time for next summer!



## Overcrowding in the Anderson Vertical

*Lauren Ward*

As you all know, our community is seeing unprecedented growth in its schools with over 800 students in each of our four elementary schools (Doss, Highland Park, Hill, Summit) built for capacities of 543, 585, 627, and 752 [2013-2014 Permanent Capacity figures from AISD]. Murchison Middle School is sitting at 1300 students, with a capacity of 1100, but is sure to grow even larger when this large cohort of elementary students matriculate to 6th grade. The Austin Independent School District Board just approved the formulation of a Facilities and Bond Planning Advisory Committee. All of us in NWACA should participate in this process, and we will keep you apprised of progress within this effort. Those in the school communities within the Anderson Vertical Team look forward to the work of the FABPAC and an eventual bond to relieve our growth.

If you would like to send an email to thank the Board for their work and reiterate its importance, please email [trustees@austinisd.org](mailto:trustees@austinisd.org) and copy [superintendent@austinisd.org](mailto:superintendent@austinisd.org) and AISD's Executive Director of Construction [Robert.hengst@austinisd.org](mailto:Robert.hengst@austinisd.org)



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# Doss/Murchison - School Traffic Safety Recommendations

Robert Thomas

NWACA continues to work with the Austin Transportation Department (ATD) to implement ATD's engineering suggestions from its investigation. To date, ATD reports that the following recommendations were completed.

1. Markings and Signs at the crosswalks at the intersection of Northledge Drive and North Hills Drive, near Thorncliffe Drive, and on Hart Lane: All existing crosswalk markings were enhanced. Additional pedestrian crossing warning signs were installed on the back of the current signs. As a result, the pedestrian crossing signs are visible from both travel directions.

2. Extend the 'No Parking' zone on North Hills Drive to improve the sight distance: The existing parking prohibition was extended by approximately 100 feet to improve the sight distance for drivers approaching the pick-up/drop-off area.

3. Evaluate the striping of a crosswalk on Chimney Corners at its intersection on Far West Boulevard: Due to the alignment of the curb ramps at this intersection, ADA requirements will preclude marking this crosswalk. Public Works Department does not have a realignment project funded. ATD evaluated the option of marking a stop bar at the stop sign to reiterate to the desired stopping location. However,

this was not feasible due to the existing placement of the curb ramps

4. Evaluate the need for signs directing pedestrians to cross Far West Boulevard at Northledge Drive: ATD installed signs at the intersection of Chimney Corners and Far West Boulevard directing pedestrians to cross at Northledge Drive.

5. Request PWD to trim tree limbs obstructing the school zone flasher on North Hills Drive: The request to trim the tree limbs around the school zone flasher on North Hills Drive was sent to the Forestry Specialist. We have been informed that the tree limbs have been cleared.

At this time, ATD reports that the only major improvement that has yet to be implemented is the installation of a flashing beacon signal on Far West. The flashing beacon is to alert traffic to pedestrians in the school crosswalk since visibility is often limited on Far West when approaching the school zone. ATD reports that there is currently not a source of funds to pay for the flashing beacon. NWACA has requested that ATD reconsider where funds might be identified since the engineering study identified this as a specific recommendation to address the health and safety of our families.



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# Deer Rutting Season

*Wildlife Management Committee*



November through December is the deer mating season in Texas, also known as the “rutting season.”

During this time, we all need to use extra caution when traveling around the area.

Deer are paying attention to one another and not to humans and cars.

You'll probably see more large male deer in the area than usual, and at times females will be scurrying ahead of them. Be careful, as they

may dart in front of walkers, runners, cyclists, and moving cars. As you run or walk or go out with your pets, give the deer plenty of space. Keep dogs on a leash at a safe distance from the deer.

Throughout the neighborhood, there are deer crossing signs where deer are especially common. Take special care in those areas. To report an injured or dead deer, call 311, and be prepared to provide a precise address where the animal can be located.

Given the frequency with which cars and deer collide, it would be prudent to check your auto insurance to see if you have the coverage for “Collision – Other” that applies to such incidents. There's more detail at this link: <http://tinyurl.com/DeerAndCar>

If you're a gardener with a medium or large agave plant where a deer can reach it, you might want to put up a barrier around it during this season. Male deer like to rub off the velvet on their antlers using the spines of the agave, and that usually destroys the big wide leaves of the plant.

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# COYOTES AND FENCING

## Wildlife Committee

It's a little known fact that coyotes can climb. Be aware of this fact when considering the safety of your pet that's left outdoors for long periods of time, particularly from dusk until dawn.

Coyotes are easily able to climb or jump over a chain-link fence. They are able to scale stone fences and wood fences that are built at a standard six feet. Any fencing that they are not able to climb, such as iron fencing, they can dig underneath in pursuit of food or prey.

Owners of pets are advised to walk along your fencing from time to time to observe if there is any evidence of digging. If there has been any reported coyote activity near you, this is particularly important. Coyote scat is typical of dog poop, except it will also contain fur, bits of bone and cartilage, berries etc.

NWACA residents are advised that the intentional and unintentional feeding of wildlife contributes to the dangerous habituation of coyotes. A coyote that associates humans with food will become increasingly aggressive in pursuit of that available food or source of prey.




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## Virtuous Firewise Pyramid Scheme

*Al Simmons and Joyce Statz*

NWACA is a neighborhood with families occupying more than 4,000 homes, and we have some of the most beautiful trees and vegetation in the State of Texas. However, NWACA is also designated as one of the most potentially dangerous urban wildfire areas in Travis County. We have a series of heavily tree-filled valleys stretching from 2222 on the south to Spicewood Springs Road on the north; and between Mesa Drive on the east and Loop 360 on the west. It appears that 2015 may be an echo (a faint one, we hope) of the damage we saw in 2011 from wildfires in Central Texas. Our ongoing drought requires that we pay careful attention to ways to prevent loss of life and damage to homes.

NWACA has been providing free evaluations of home wildfire risk (we call them Firewise Assessments) for homeowners who request them for three years. These evaluations help neighbors identify ways to harden their homes from the danger of flying wildfire embers in the event that one or more of our valleys becomes a roaring inferno. And we have had some success...but we've been able to evaluate too few homes and they are too scattered to sufficiently slow down an ember-generated wildfire event. The individual homes that have been hardened are much safer today than they were before the assessment, but as individual homes standing alone, they do not form a barrier (a no burn zone) for the neighborhood. We need groupings of hardened homes to have any major effect on an urban wildfire, i.e. 4 to 6 or 7 hardened homes adjacent to each other, and across the street from another 4 to 6 or 7 hardened homes. To make it most useful to the whole neighborhood, we need a concerted effort to add more hardened homes directly adjacent to a grouping, and then the next, and the next – something of a virtuous pyramid scheme. So, how do we make this happen, especially when we're all volunteers?

We need each homeowner whose home has been assessed to ask several more to do the same. We will ask our volunteer assessors, who come to your home by appointment when you ask NWACA for an assessment, to include in their visit a discussion with you about your "immediately next-door" environment, i.e. your neighbor's house on each side of you. They will ask if you would be willing to talk with your two neighbors about what you are doing to make your home safer for your family and the neighborhood and see if they would have their homes assessed. If you are successful in getting your two next-door neighbors to get their homes assessed and hardened, your home is now doubly safe because your hardened neighbors' homes reduce your exposure to the fire, too! Now, if each of those neighbors convinces their next door neighbors, your combined efforts are having a major impact on the safety of your whole community. When a whole street or HOA gets involved, you can become a designated Firewise Community, which has even more benefits for you and your neighbors, as we discussed in a recent article – financial incentives from insurance companies are beginning to appear, and there are sources of funds for helping remove wildfire fuel in common areas.

To take the first steps to help us all be safer, if you've already had a Firewise Assessment, please talk to your neighbors. If you haven't already had a wildfire risk evaluation, go to this link and sign up: <http://nwaca.org/firewise-request/>

## Wheel Theft Ring in Operation

*Crime and Safety Committee*



Yes, it happens here, too. You're asleep with your family, it's 3 AM, and someone is helping himself to the wheels of your SUV. You don't hear it, though, and neither do the neighbors, whose garden bed is being raided to provide resting blocks for your SUV where the wheels used to be. Fortunately, there was a neighbor across the street whose surveillance cameras got a bit of footage which could perhaps help the police track down the suspect. However, there were no good images of the face; just the back of the person doing the deed.

APD tells us that there's a rash of these thefts in the City. A ring of thieves is focused on particular models – Suburbans, Tahoes, and other trucks and SUVs with big wheels.

What lessons can we draw? Cameras are a good thing. Being able to park your vehicle in a garage is helpful – but that might take more than one annual garage sale for many of us. Another thing to consider is adding wheel alarms to the vehicle. Here's a link to an article about alarms:

<http://www.alarms.com/HowTo/Article/How+to+protect+rims+and+tires.aspx>

To help avoid this problem and others, if your street doesn't yet have Neighborhood Watch, please get together with your neighbors and start one. There's more information on the NWACA web site here: <http://nwaca.org/category/library/neighborhood-watch/>

You can get help in setting one up here: <http://nwaca.org/neighborhood-watch-volunteer-and-input/>

## NWACA Window Decals

*Debra Danziger*

NWACA window decals are now available for \$3. Show your neighborhood pride and spirit with an official NWACA membership window decal, perfect for your vehicle.

The decal measures 3"x3" and sells for \$3 online at: <http://nwaca.org/donations/> Order yours today!



# Neighborhood Interest Survey

Communications Committee

As we have for the past several years, we are asking the NWACA neighborhood for your input to help drive the work of the NWACA Board and Committees in the coming year. Your priorities for issues and interests help us know where to use our volunteer hours for the best benefit of the whole community. Thank you for taking a few minutes to answer these questions. You may do the survey either on

paper or by going to this web link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/nwaca2016>

Please respond by end of day, November 20. Thank you for your input.

NWACA Board

1. What 3 <b>neighborhood-centric</b> areas do you think are most crucial for NWACA to work on in the coming year? <b>Choose only 3</b>	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice
Activities and exercise opportunities for senior citizens			
Activities and services for young families			
Austin Oaks development/PUD			
Crime Prevention - Neighborhood Watch Program			
Drought-resistant landscaping			
Education about living with the deer and coyotes			
History of NWACA			
Hiking and biking areas			
Parks development			
Traffic speed reduction			
Tree health (including oak wilt and drought issues)			
Wildfire prevention - Firewise Program			
Zoning/Planning			
Other: (specify)			

2. Which 3 <b>City-wide</b> issue areas do you think are most critical for NWACA to provide information to you and to advocate for your concerns? <b>Choose only 3</b>	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice
Affordable housing in Austin			
City support for wildfire mitigation in our area			
CodeNEXT Implementation (new Land Development Code)			
Property Tax rates (all jurisdictions)			
School overcrowding			
Short-term rentals			
Transportation issues on Spicewood Springs Road			
Transportation issues throughout the neighborhood			
Urban rail and other public transit			
Zoning/Planning			
Other: (specify)			

3. Please rate your awareness and use of these NWACA communications media.	Use a lot	Use sometimes	Not of interest	Don't know about it
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4. Are you a current NWACA member (paid \$25 annual dues in the last 12 months)?	Yes	No	Unsure

5. Please provide other suggestions and comments you have on NWACA activities or services.

Thank you very much! Your choices will help guide the 2016 work of the NWACA Board and Committees. Please mail your response to NWACA, P.O. Box 26654, Austin, TX 78755.

## Mealybugs

Wizzie Brown, Texas Agrilife Extension



Mealybugs are pests of landscape plants and houseplants. They are often active during times of warm, dry weather, but can also become a problem indoors at any time of year. Infestations usually start at the base of stems and then spread from

there as populations increase.

Mealybugs are a type of unarmored scale insect. They are sexually dimorphic (males and females look different). Males have wings while females remain wingless and nymph-like throughout their life. Females are oval, soft-bodied and covered with a white waxy powder.

These insects have piercing-sucking mouthparts which they use to penetrate plant tissue and suck out juices. This can lead to chlorosis (yellowing of the plant), wilting and distortion. With larger infestations, the insects may cause stunted growth, premature leaf drop or death of the plant. Mealybugs are also known for secreting honeydew, a sweet, sticky substance on which a fungus called sooty mold may grow. Sooty mold can indirectly harm the plant by covering plant surfaces and reducing the amount of sunlight that reaches plant tissues, resulting in reduction of photosynthesis.

Since all but male mealybugs are wingless, adult females have to be placed near a host plant for them to infest it. They can crawl short distances to plants. Immatures can be blown to new locations by the wind, move by water, or be transported by animals.

Tips for mealybug management:

- Conserve beneficial insects; there are many insects that will feed on mealybugs or parasitize them
- \*\*Use high pressure water sprays to dislodge the insects from the plant
- \*\*Insecticidal soap
- \*\*Horticultural oils
- \*\*Insecticides labeled for mealybug control
- For severely infested plants, it may be best to throw the plant away and buy a new one
- \*\*If treating houseplants, move plants outside during treatment then move back inside once treatment has dried.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at [www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com](http://www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com)

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## The Sound of District 10

Steve Parker



Steve Parker, an artist from Northwest Austin, has been commissioned to create a work of public art for District 10 (see the map), produced in part by the City of Austin Cultural Arts Division. He is currently seeking residents from the area to work with him on this project.

Steve will be creating an interactive soundtrack for District 10. Triggered via smartphone app, the soundtrack will respond to the user's movement

and location to create a unique sonic experience for each person. The content for the soundtrack will be sourced from District 10, including interviews, music samples, field recordings, and soundscapes.

Steve is interested in connecting with anyone interested in helping with this project. Possible contributions could include:

- Interviews about favorite sounds, places, or neighborhoods in District 10
- Oral histories of District 10
- Providing samples of favorite music recordings

No musical or artistic background necessary! Any participation is welcome. To find out more about this project, visit <http://sound-atlas.tumblr.com>

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Membership Committee

NWACA thanks our members who have so generously contributed to the Oak Wilt Fund, the 4th of July Parade Fund, or the Park Fund, between August 17, 2015 and October 13, 2015.

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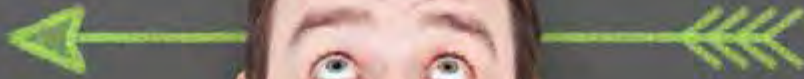
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