



BALCONES WOODS NEWSLETTER

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Calendar

October 1- Neighborhood
Garage Sale

October 1 -Casino Party for
adults

October 4 - National Night Out

October 12 - BW Operating
Committee Meeting

November 8 - BW Board
Meeting

December 11 (tentative date)-
Santa in the Park/ Hayride.

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Neighborhood Garage Sale October 1

Elaine Heinzke-Hennig (342-2181) will have a sign-up sheet on her front porch starting Sunday, September 25th at 4000 Biscay Drive. Ads will be in the *Austin Statesman*, Craigslist, and you receive a goody bag with balloons and other helpful items. The \$5 donation goes to the BW Youth Group activities, like "Santa in the Park"-coming soon.

October 1 - Casino Party for adults

The fun starts at 7:00 p.m. with a fajita dinner, margaritas, beer, wine, tea, water, and black jack, craps, and roulette. We're looking for volunteers to deal blackjack. If interested, contact Peggy Miller at 346-9155 or pegm@austin.rr.com. Dealer training offered at 6:00, just before the party.

October 4 - National Night Out

from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Some of the neighborhood street parties are listed below. You can also check the Balcones Woods Yahoo News Group, and the web site at www.balconeswoods.org. You can register your party at the BW web site so public safety officials can attend.

* Pyrenees and Catalonia at 11402 Pyreneese by Teri Larson and Robin Beger

* Flagstaff Drive/ Cove at 4102 Flagstaff Drive by Patricia and Dan Stivers

*Galacia at 4009/4011 Galacia Drive by the Dworin and Folts families

Sheds Amendment

The amendment drive which included provisions for shed allowances in Balcones Woods has passed and filed with the State of Texas, and is now part of the BW Deeds and Covenants. All residents are now allowed to have sheds.

There are still guidelines that you must meet to build a shed. An application must be submitted to Architectural Control Committee for approval. Your shed cannot exceed 8 feet in height, 200 sq. feet in size, and must meet certain guidelines as to its location. If these guidelines are not met, your shed must be removed. Please work with the ACC for any shed or construction issues.

For ads, stories, announcements, please contact us at Newsletter@balconeswoods.org.

STAGE 2 Water Restrictions

The City of Austin Citations will be issued in Municipal Court with fines set at \$475.

- * Odd number houses may water only on Saturday. Even numbers may water only on Sunday.
- * AUTOMATIC-irrigation systems may be used only from midnight to 10:00 a.m. on your watering day.
- * You may use a hose-connected sprinkler from midnight to 10:00 a.m. AND from 7:00 p.m. to midnight on you watering day.
- * You may hand water anytime.

Walking/Running Club Interest?

Want to join a free Running/Walking Club every Saturday for the fall? Our neighbor Henry Eliperia, who has extensive Fitness Trainer certifications and other training, can be contacted at henryeliperia@yahoo.com or (650) 307-0405.

Stop & Don't Speed!

The number of neighbors who run the Stop signs is alarming, especially as some of the violators have children of their own. Driving at higher speeds like 35 or 45 mph in Balcones Woods is against the law. The Austin Police will be performing more radar checks in our neighborhood. The higher speed will only gain you mere seconds in and out of our neighborhood. Is it worth the risk of a ticket or worse, harming a child or pet? At night, all of the street lights don't always function and you never know when a child might run in front of you. Be a safe driver.

Suspicious Characters in the Neighborhood?

Call 911 if you see suspicious behavior. We've had several break-ins and with nearby fires, everyone is sensitive to activity near homes and wooded areas. FYI, our District Police Officer is SPO Mike Whetston # 5381 Region II District Representative. He can be reached at 974-5553.

Neighborhood Watch Signs

Many thanks to Bob Vehon who spearheaded the new Watch signs in Balcones Woods!

Dog Owners Please follow the leash laws for your pet's safety. Neighbors report that dogs are allowed out their front doors unleashed to use the bathroom and injuries have resulted, needing vet visits. Also, if you walk your dog unleashed in the Quarries/ Hyde Park Church area, you will be reported and fined. Some neighbors still do not scoop after their dogs.

New Arrival ! Lisa, John, and big brother Johnny (age 5) welcomed Blake Carter Staigerwald on July 14th at 5:15 pm. 8 lbs and 4 oz; 19 1/2 inches.