



Personal Notes from the President

Bonham Elementary Update

Thank you to the residents who voiced their concerns about the proposed closure of Bonham. The time, energy, and support that our neighborhood gave to fight this issue demonstrated what can be accomplished by working together - Bonham has been spared for now!

Please read the great recap of the situation from Helen Ballew on page 2.

SACS Spring Grant Program

The San Antonio Conservation Society (SACS) is offering a targeted spring grant program for residential properties in the southeast section of our neighborhood. With the cooperation of the KWA and the City, the Conservation Society held two free workshop sessions for homeowners in March. The workshops featured information about housing related programs, funding sources, architecture, and local history, and enabled attendees to ask questions of skilled contractors who are well-versed in home problems and solutions. If you were unable to attend the workshop and would like more information about the grant program, please contact the KWA office. The deadline for grant applications is April 20 at 4:30 p.m.

Special Event Permit Parking

We have been trying to structure a well-rounded and unbiased questionnaire for distribution to the entire neighborhood concerning First Friday parking issues and the related graffiti and trash problems. This questionnaire will ask residents if they would like street parking to be restricted on their block during special events. We will record all responses to determine which blocks have a majority of residents in favor of restricting street parking. We will then pursue the City to designate First Friday as a special event.

Of the 80+ emails we've received, the overwhelming majority would like to see something done to combat the parking issue, although several areas don't want restricted parking unless the rest of the neighborhood votes to have restricted parking. In other words, if several blocks vote to restrict parking then it would just move the problem to the blocks that vote not to restrict parking. Several discussions on this issue have led me to believe that the time is right for this change and that all of the parties involved will end up supporting the direction being suggested.

Our goal would be to move the business

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The Newsletter

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FAIR*VIEW: Too Big or Not Too Big

In the following article, I offer some general thoughts about the Fair. Please be on the lookout for the "Fiesta Edition" of this newsletter, to arrive later this month. That issue will contain invaluable information about the Fair, survival tips, and free admission for residents.

Neighborhood Ideas

It seems like the Fair keeps getting bigger and bigger, but that's not necessarily what the neighborhood wants. As a community, we've had many formal surveys, informal discussions, and committee debates. Consequently, for many years, the Fair Committee has been sensitive to these concerns and has struggled to find ways to contain the Fair and limit its negative effects.

Although the Fair Zone may still feel crowded, the number of booths has decreased in the last years. There has also been an attempt to move Food Booths around so that no one house has a BBQ in front of it each year. The Fair itself stopped any effort to advertise, although we do receive some indirect advertising as an Official Fiesta Event. In the last several years, we have significantly reduced our entertainment budget, which may indirectly affect attendance. The Fair's admission policy may also limit event size.

From time to time, it has been suggested that we relocate the entire Fair to the area south and east of Alamo Street (in the "Baja" some would say). We have looked into that possibility, but have been stymied by the narrow streets and fire marshal requirements. There is also the enormous cost of the electrical system, which we own but that was "fitted" for the current Fair Zone. At least for now, the footprint of the Fair Zone remains the same.

A number of people have told me there's no way to limit the size of the Fair. I hope that's not true. If you have ideas about improving the Fair, please contact me.

Outside Help

Regardless of the sheer numbers who attend the Fair, we cannot operate without support, especially as it becomes more difficult for the neighborhood residents to shoulder the entire burden of running what is essentially a small business. This year, support has come from new and exciting corners.

Valero Energy will provide financial sponsorship for the King William Stage, as well as hundreds of volunteers to operate our beverage booths. Volunteers will also come from Rackspace, ACCD, and Page Middle School. Say Sí will launch a two-year program for developing a video that showcases all the great things the Fair allows our nonprofit to do.

But still we need YOU! We need help with a variety of tasks, such as marking booth placement, supervising stage and booth placement, greeting Fair-goers at the Admission Booths, posting signs and banners, removing signs and banners, monitoring the parade route, answering questions at the Information Booths, riding the trolley, coordinating beverage sales, assisting vendor setup, etc. Please check out our new interactive volunteer form: <http://www.kwfair.org/volunteers>



Fair Chair
Rose Kanusky

Rose Kanusky



DETAILS

Fair Admission

Fair admission this year will be \$3 for adults, free for children 17 and under. Admission will be required for all adults entering the Fair Zone. If you're interested in buying bulk admission for parties or family, be sure to see the Fiesta edition of your newsletter coming soon.

Fair Zone Parking

Extensive details about the Fair will appear in the Fiesta edition of the newsletter, to appear in your mailboxes in late April. Until then, please take note of this important preliminary information for all those who live in the "Fair Zone."

The Fair Zone closes on Friday, April 28, 2007, and residents will need to park at the H-E-B headquarters Friday night if they would like to move their vehicle from the neighborhood on Saturday. Space is available for off-street parking during the day Friday at the Blue Star Art Space, but your vehicle must be moved by 5:00 pm.

On Fair day, Saturday, April 28, the Fair Zone will be closed to residents until 8 pm at night. Please note this is a later time than in past years.

Once the Fair Zone streets are reopened to residents on Sunday, April 29, we ask that you refrain from parking on the streets until Sunday at noon for two important reasons. First, we are planning to have the streets cleaned Saturday night, and vehicles parked in the street interfere with that effort. Second, the Fair's electrical system will not be picked up until Sunday morning, and we cannot do that if vehicles are parked on the wiring.

Pre-Fiesta Brush Pick Up

You may start to put items at the curb for the Fiesta brush pick up on April 13. The brush pick up itself will happen on April 23 and April 24. The brush trucks will be followed by street cleaners in the evening of April 24 or in the morning of April 25.

To ensure accessibility for collecting the piles and sweeping the streets, please do not park in front of the brush piles beginning on April 23 until after the street cleaners have come through. The trucks will make only one pass through the neighborhood.

Bonham Elementary Update

The Bonham Elementary School community wishes to thank the King William Association for its strong continued support of our historic neighborhood school, as evidenced most recently by the response of the neighborhood to the news of Bonham's inclusion on a list of nine schools being considered for possible closure by SAISD. The neighborhood association's response was timely, well organized, overwhelmingly positive and thus very gratifying to those whose jobs and children's education were "on the line." Thank you!



As of now, Bonham is no longer being considered for closure in the upcoming school year. Two schools – Bowie Elementary and Cooper Middle School – are still on the list and will be recommended to the School Board by the District Administration for closure in 2007. The District Superintendent, Robert J. Duron, has been very emphatic in saying that the school consolidation process is just beginning and would continue for several more years to come. It is possible that the remaining seven schools on the List of Nine will find themselves once again being considered for closure as early as next year.

As one of School Board President Julian Trevino's appointees to the District's Facilities Advisory Committee (FAC), I will say that, in my opinion, the process whereby all SAISD schools were evaluated for their "efficiency" left a lot to be desired, and the results of the efficiency analysis are therefore suspect. Several of the criteria used in the matrix analysis were, as far as I and others can discern, biased against small historic neighborhood schools, against small campus acreages, against those having special populations that "cost more to educate," against those with smaller class sizes, and against those whose staff have many years of experience and higher credentials and therefore carry higher staffing costs. No wonder several wonderful high performing schools ended up on the list!

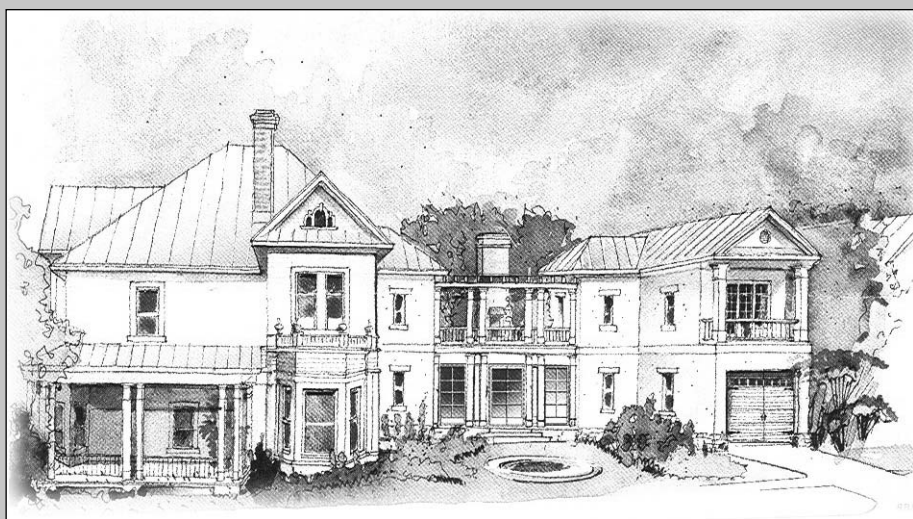
At the third and most recent FAC meeting held on March 8, the committee was unable to reach consensus on an endorsement of the District staff's efficiency analysis. A fourth FAC meeting may be scheduled, presumably to consider revisions to the analysis. If this same analysis is intended to be used in future considerations of school closures, it is imperative, in my judgment, that the analysis be overhauled. Stay tuned for more on this issue!

Meanwhile, Bonham is proceeding with its application process for Internal Charter status and will present our case before the School Board at an upcoming meeting. As you know, we are proposing through our charter application both academic program aspects (languages, fine arts, and science emphases) as well as school reconfiguration aspects (going PK-8) -- decidedly an ambitious, though sound, plan for Bonham's future. With an extensive community consensus-building process behind us, a well thought out plan, the overwhelming support of our school parents and staff, and the unanimous support of our neighborhood and downtown area associations (again, THANK YOU!), we believe we are in a strong position to secure the approval of the school board, our last hurdle before becoming an internal (or in-district) charter school.

Your neighborhood association's resolution in opposition to Bonham's closure and in support of its Internal Charter plan (academic program and PK-8 extension) is greatly appreciated, and may well help to secure Bonham's continued success far into the future. If you know any school board members personally, put in a good word for us!

Feel free to contact me at 246-2883 or helenba@sbcglobal.net if you have any questions about either the school consolidation issue or Bonham's charter aspirations.

Helen Ballew

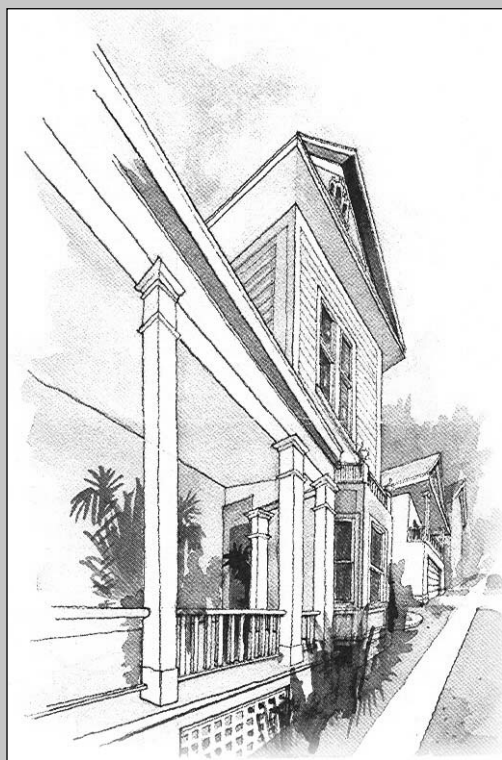


Nix House view from East Johnson (Portico Residential LLC)

The Nix House Recognized as a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark

The Nix House, 434 King William, has been recognized as a significant structure in Texas history by being named as a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark by the Texas Historical Commission. This designation is the highest honor the State of Texas bestows to a historic structure for architectural integrity and historical associations.

Portico Residential LLC has succeeded in restoring one of the oldest mansions in downtown San Antonio into one of the leaders of energy efficient design. The project is being studied as a successful example of integrating historic preservation with sustainable green design at this year's American Institute of Architect's (AIA) National Convention in San Antonio in May 2007.



Nix House streetscape view (Portico Residential LLC)

You are invited to attend the dedication ceremony of The Nix House at 434 King William on May 5 at 11:00 a.m. A tour of the house is scheduled after unveiling a new, Texas Historic Commission cast-medallion historic marker. Speakers for this brief event will include Dr. Félix D. Almaráz, Jr., distinguished professor at the University of Texas at San Antonio, and Michael Buckley, Director of the Real Estate program at Columbia University in New York City. Share in and witness this exciting historical event. Please RSVP at 222-1196.

The event coincides with the publication of a new book entitled, "The Nix House, Innovation and Style in Texas' Oldest Historic District," by King William Resident Roy R. Pachecano, published by Watercress Press. The book

chronicles the 1899 development of a pair of houses in King William by the prominent Nix family and reveals remarkable career beginnings—including that of a young, unknown architect named Atlee B. Ayres who studied at The Met in New York in 1894—that would eventually rise to transform the skyline of downtown San Antonio and usher in a new health care industry.

President's Notes continued

parking off of the residential streets and onto the three main commercial streets. Most businesses currently enjoy the economic benefits of having free parking surrounding their business without contributing any monies towards the maintenance of the neighborhood pre- and post-First Friday. As time goes on, it only makes sense to have the parking directed to the commercial lots along S. Alamo, S. St. Mary's and S. Presa, and to have the merchants arrange transportation along these commercial corridors to facilitate the less agile members of the public. Please look for this questionnaire to be delivered to your house soon.

Graffiti

The First Friday related graffiti was particularly bad in February and March. Thanks to Harry and Molly Shafer and their clean-up team for quickly combating the graffiti to keep our neighborhood beautiful. It sure seems to me that the problem is escalating rather than abating. Efforts by Southtown and their new Director have not come to fruition. It is a multi-faceted problem that will require efforts along several lines of communication and problem-solving. We are looking at numerous methods of addressing and funding solutions to the problem. If you have any suggestions, please email them to the office for consideration.

Architectural Review Committee

The Architectural Review Committee (ARC) has been meeting regularly to review and make recommendations on all King William area Historic Design and Review Commission (HDRC) agenda items. The ARC is a new project for us and is ever evolving. Our goals are twofold: to let there be a source of assistance to anyone in the neighborhood needing help in planning any improvements and to let the neighborhood know that we respect the Historic nature of our improvements and will not let unauthorized/unpermitted projects continue without being addressed by City Planning, the HDRC and the City permit/code compliance departments.

Train Noise

The Board has established a subcommittee to examine the possibility of developing railroad quiet zones. We have contacted the City's Public Works Department to ask for their assistance in investigating the establishment of railroad quiet zones at the Probandt and South Flores crossings. At this time, we have not yet received a response from the City.

Upcoming Events

Please join us in April for these neighborhood events:

-City Council Districts 1 and 5 Candidate Forum on Tuesday, April 3, 6:30 p.m. at the Church Bistro

-Spring Social hosted by SAY Sí on Wednesday, April 4, 6:30 p.m.

-King William Fair 2007 on Saturday, April 28, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

J. Kit Walker

SAY Sí Update

Dear King William Friends and Neighbors,

After several years, and the support of many individuals, corporations and foundations (including the King William Association!) we have settled into our new home, SAY Sí Central – located on the corner of S. Alamo and Probandt. It has been non-stop action since the move, and we are so excited about what this space will become for our students, the surrounding community and the city. If the last few events are any indication of the tremendous support and pride the neighborhood has shown to us, we know the future is very bright! Our ribbon cutting took place on Saturday, January 22, and was well attended by King William neighbors and supporters, as was our recent fundraiser a few weeks ago. I have also been deeply appreciative of the many recent individual financial contributions by the many members of the association. This indicates that many of you are aware of our commitment to the community and validates the work we do with San Antonio's artistic youth. We have built a great permanent home and your continued generosity will allow our nationally award winning programs to grow and flourish.

The King William Association started SAY Sí 13 years ago, and we hope we have made all of the members proud of our growth, work and contributions. Quick facts that bear repeating: 60% of our students are female and 40% are male; 65% of our students come from economically disadvantaged households; our ethnic demographics are 70% Latino, 22% Anglo and 8% African American; and 100% of our 2006 graduating seniors went on to a college or university. All the SAY Sí programs are tuition-free and rely solely on the support and generosity of our funders and contributors. We are making a big impact on the lives of our students we serve and we are gratified by the generosity and support of our friends and neighbors.

If you haven't been by yet, please come soon! Our goal is to continue to be a part of this great neighborhood and community.

Sincerely,

Jon Hinojosa
Artistic/Executive Director

Save the date: Thursday, April 5, 2007 – Origins, Yard Art 2007, artwork inspired by and for the garden.



Say Sí Central ribbon cutting



Say Sí Central exterior view



Say Sí Central visual art studio

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Thank you, Page Middle School

The KWA Board of Directors recently had a chance to experience Page Middle School's wonderful hospitality when Principal Gary Pollock offered to host our February Board meeting in their new Library. Our Board members enjoyed the opportunity to meet students, parents, staff, and even a SAISD Board member.

Special thanks to:

- Principal Gary Pollock for coordinating a memorable meeting.
- Jacob Deleon and his band students for the wonderful concert.
- The students and staff who greeted and guided us to the Library.
- SAISD Board member Mr. Doug Sellers and his wife for being on hand to welcome us.
- Gloria Saavedra, Monica Rangel, and the PTA for the refreshments.
- Juan Delgado and the Library staff for accommodating the meeting.



Page Middle School Band Director Juan Deleon and students

Meet the Board.

Noemi Cue, KWA Board Member since 2005

What brought you to the King William neighborhood?

The proximity to cultural activities and job, along with the small town ambiance and few wooden privacy fences. I really miss

Handy Andy and the Pig Stand. I really enjoy taking walks along the river to downtown.

What's the biggest issue facing the neighborhood that you want to address as a Board member?

Contaminants in the soil of homes south of Alamo St. and Brackenridge H.S. (along the river).

What book have you recently enjoyed that you would recommend to others?

The Pilot's Wife by Anita Shreve (a pilot who leads a double life)

What is your all-time favorite movie?

Madhatters and *Tito's Restaurants*; Blue Star attractions

What's your favorite local hangout?

Anywhere with a lot of golf courses.

If you were in the Federal Witness Protection Program and had to relocate to any other city in the world, where would you go?

Thanksgiving

What's your favorite holiday?

No, but I wish I did.

Do you canoe?

No, but I wish I did.



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Graffiti Clean-Up Thanks

Kudos to the following who came to help with the graffiti clean-up on Saturday, March 10, at 9:00 a.m. We cleaned up at least 14 sites, including the large one between Turner and Madison (Dan and Sonny worked on this one): Sonny Collins, Ed Haverlah, Mary Helen Mansbach, Dan Rutherford

Many, many thanks for helping us to keep King William clean and beautiful.

Harry and Molly Shafer

Calling All "Old Timers"

The newsletter staff would like to try out a new monthly column. The working title is "You must be an old timer if you remember..." For this to fly, all you old timers out there need to share short bits of history,



incidents or events that you remember that might be fun and interesting to those of us who came late to the 'hood. It can be about places, people, happenings, you name it. E-mail your contributions to atcash@hotmail.com or billfcogburn@msn.com. Let's make this fun!

Bill Cogburn

You must be an old timer if you remember...

...in the mid-80's when La Focaccia Italian Grill was a muffler shop. I remember driving in there, not to get a pizza but to have a new muffler installed on my car

Alan Cash

...back in 1972 when Hazel and I were in the process of moving into our new place on King William Street. We had just arrived in town from Virginia – been driving all day; me pulling a trailer and Hazel driving our car. I was dog tired after a long day on the road so I walked out to the street to stretch my legs when this guy walked up and said, "Do you like good Mexican food?" "I sure do," I replied. "The best Mexican food in San Antonio is just down the street at a place called El Mirador," he said. When Hazel and I got around to going there to eat, I recognized this same fellow. Then he introduced himself as Julian Trevino.

Al Conner

...when the two old mansions in the 300 Block of Madison burned to the ground in the late 1980's. Shortly before they burned, they were used as a setting for a chase scene in the 1987 movie, Nadine starring Jeff Bridges and Kim Bassinger. At first, the neighbors thought it was exciting to have the film crew working in the neighborhood but after a few days of equipment noise, bright lights and trash, many were wishing they would go back to Hollywood.

Bill Cogburn

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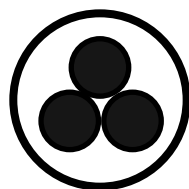


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April Stories Galore to Feature Chris O'Dell

Stories Galore, a free story-swap hosted by Elder Stone for experienced and beginning storytellers and listeners, continues on **Sunday, April 15, from 5:00-7:00 p.m.** at the Commander's House, 645 S. Main. Stories must be suitable for families with children and must not be derogatory to any race or belief.

This month's "Stellar Teller," a person of some renown as a talespinner, is Chris O'Dell, one of the original storytellers when Stories Galore originated in 1994. She has been a member of the San Antonio Storytellers Association for more than 10 years and was for two years the vice-president of Tellabration, the annual Storytelling Festival in San Antonio. Don't miss the opportunity to see and hear Chris!

For more information, call Elder Stone at 673-4467.

Tails from the Cat Lady KWA Renews Support of Spay & Neuter Program

The King William Board of Directors recently approved additional funding for the Spay & Neuter Program that was introduced last year. This program allows residents to get reimbursed for having their animals spayed or neutered. Under this plan, residents will be reimbursed for the following services:

- Neuter of a Male Dog: \$50.00
- Spay of a Female Dog: \$70.00
- Neuter of a Male Cat: \$30.00
- Spay of a Female Cat: \$40.00
- Rabies Vaccination: \$10.00
- Feline Combo Testing: \$15.00
- Heartworm Testing: \$15.00

Only residents of King William are eligible for this program. In order to be reimbursed, a resident must follow the following guidelines:

- Owners can take the animal to any low cost spay and neuter clinic or to their private Vet.

- They must turn in an itemized receipt with the owner's name and address printed on it.

- The services must have been provided starting in January 2006.

- There is a limit of three animals per household

- The amounts listed are maximum amounts. If a resident pays less than the stated amounts then they will only be reimbursed for the actual amount of the service.

- Funding is not available for routine examinations and vaccinations.

A limited amount of funding is available for this program. If anyone would like to donate to this program, checks can be made payable to the King William Association. Please make reference to this program on the memo line of your check. For questions please call Gretchen Garceau-Kragh at 846-7794.

Gretchen Garceau-Kragh



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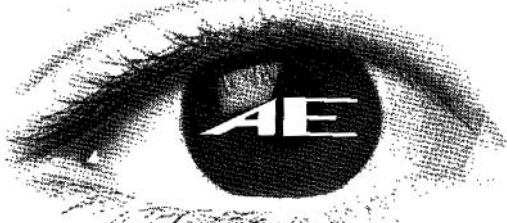
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Out in the Garden with Alan Cash

Once the weather warmed, spring came upon us quickly. Rains came timely so that blooming plants are making a real showing. I hope you noticed the white blooming Mexican Plum tree at the back gate of the Steves Homestead at 509 King William St. The vines with bright yellow trumpet like flowers seen around the neighborhood are Carolina Jasmine which always blooms early. Next, look for Cross Vine on the fence at Cedar and Stieren, and Confederate Jasmine on the fence at King William and Johnson. All three vines



are evergreen and can be found this time of year in most nurseries. Mimosa is a pink blooming tree that will bloom soon. Its flowers are fragrant and the tree has a canopy of filtered shade due to its lacey leaves. You do not see them much, but there is one at 318 Mission St.

Do not forget that climbing roses and mountain laurels should be trimmed after their spring bloom.

With warm weather and rains come spring flowers, but also weeds. Weeds are easier to control if pulled soon after they sprout. Also look for unwanted trees, such as hackberry, which grow quickly and may not be noticed until they emerge above a hedge or shrub.

One of the popular new roses is Knock Out. It is not an antique rose, but has many of the same good characteristics. It grows to a height of 3 to 4 feet, blooms from spring to frost, and can be trimmed as needed with hedge trimmers. It is disease-resistant and tolerates a wide range of soils. Knock Out sounds better than sliced bread but remember, as with all roses, the more sun it gets, the better.

If you would like to grow fresh herbs for your kitchen, but do not think you have enough sun, try growing them in containers. Some herbs that are easy to grow for a wide variety of dishes include rosemary, oregano, thyme, society garlic, and basil. Put each herb in a 12 inch pot or larger, with soil that drains well. The pots can be moved as the sun location changes with the season. If the pots are placed on top of the ground, put some type of saucer under them to prevent ants from getting into them. Once established, herbs need little water.

Bees and butterflies are needed for plant pollination. Attract these beneficial insects to your garden by putting in a birdbath and planting their favorite plants. These include honeysuckle, Mexican heather, lantana, and butterfly bush. If you grow mustard greens, let some go to seed because their flowers are good insect magnets.

For a pleasant time and to get ideas for your garden, visit the Botanical Gardens on Funston a few blocks east of Broadway. Visit often as the seasons change, but spring is an especially good time.

Garden Note: A few aches and pains are signs of a busy gardener.

Trees Project Update - Water Hoses Needed

This is an update on trees that have been planted along streets as a joint project between the King William and Lavaca neighborhood associations. As of this newsletter 231 trees have been planted, including 42 initially planted as part of the Mission Trails Parkway between Pereida St. and the underpass by Brackenridge High School. Most of the trees were obtained from the City nursery at no cost, but many were purchased with funds contributed by individuals. The project is ongoing and future progress will be reported.



Alan Cash

Community-Wide Fire Ant Management

It's fire ant season again! As you may have noticed, battling fire ants can be difficult. Many times you treat your yard, but your neighbors don't treat theirs and their fire ants just move over the fence! For longer lasting fire ant control, it is best to treat with your neighbors using baits. Baits have low toxicity and are applied at very low rates because they will be picked up by fire ants as food. Fire ants take the baits back into their nest and feed the food to the queen. When the queen dies, the fire ants die. Baits are also safe to use in yards where children and pets play. Baits are applied at such low rates that chickens, birds, and wildlife cannot pick up enough bait to get sick.

Community-Wide Fire Ant Management Programs work best because more neighbors treat their yards at the same time. If you are interested in participating in a community-wide fire ant management program, Texas Cooperative Extension will help coordinate the efforts, choose the best bait, and apply the bait. All you have to do is sign up if you are interested and pay for the bait. The more people that participate, the lower the price per home; but the average price per home is only \$2 to treat both front and back yards.

Texas Cooperative Extension is an educational agency that provides free educational programs to Bexar County. We have information about many different subjects including: food and nutrition, food safety, agriculture, natural resources, horticulture and gardening, 4-H clubs for youth, and entomology.

For information on any of the mentioned topics, please contact 467-6575.

Please contact the KWA office at 227-8786 or king.william@sbcglobal.net if you are interested in having your yard treated for fire ants. We will work with you and Texas



Cooperative Extension to coordinate the treatment date and time for our neighborhood.



Southtown Urban
Mainstreet

Alliance Goes Wi-Fi

Southtown Urban Mainstreet Alliance is currently testing Wi-Fi technology for Southtown merchants to use as a marketing tool to draw locals and visitors to the Southtown Business District. Soon the entire Southtown business district will have wireless internet access for everyone to use as they visit the district's shops and eateries.

The development will be done in three phases: the first phase will cover the S. Alamo Street and Durango Street intersection south to the Blue Star Complex located at S. Alamo and Probandt Street. The second phase will cover S. St. Mary's Street south to Eagleland Drive. The third and final phase will include Durango Street and S. Presa Street south to Florida Street.

The principle of this initiative is to help create a climate for the attraction and retention of visitors to Southtown by using Wi-Fi technology as an economic development strategy. In the future, Southtown will also use this technology as a cultural tourism tool by providing a self-guided walking tour Podcast for people visiting Southtown and the surrounding historic neighborhoods.

The owner of www.iGoSA.com, Mr. Ed Lozano, is the person most responsible for this initiative. iGoSA provided their technological expertise and services to Southtown to help get the project off the ground. For more information, you may contact Southtown Executive Director Juan J. Gutiérrez at 226-0888 or via email at juan@southtown.net.



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Church Theatre Review: "Love Letters" by A.R. Gurney

A stark stage - two chairs, two podiums, and two individuals - a relationship stripped down to its basic elements. So started the production of "Love Letters" written by A.R. Gurney and directed by Diane Malone at the Church Theatre on February 17. The actors, Mary and Steven Bull, are husband and wife offstage, but their relationship in the play is much harder to define. Childhood friends, infatuation, jealousy, separation, success and despair, an affair, and finally death for one and loneliness for the other. The letters they write each other, taken individually, are by no means what one would call love letters.

However, taken as a whole, they convey a lifetime of love. In fact, it is not until the woman's death that the man realizes the depth of their connection. So often we assume that love between two individuals must follow the standard trajectory of attraction, marriage, and children. This play demonstrates that a deep and profound love can be found outside of this paradigm.

Elizabeth Flynn


Join the San Antonio Symphony League

Do you enjoy going to the San Antonio Symphony concerts? Next season there will be regular classical concerts and pops, and a new addition, "Light Classics" at Trinity. If you are interested in helping to support the symphony, and in getting a break on ticket prices, join the San Antonio Symphony League. It is not a bunch of old ladies, but the volunteer arm of the symphony. We do a run/walk, cook lunches for the musicians and all sorts of things. But the benefit for you, the concertgoer, is that as a SASL member, you can get a 20% discount off your concert tickets. If you are interested, call Penny Wiederhold at 271-7555. She has membership forms and for \$35 you are helping a great cause!

Yoga in the Neighborhood

There is an on-going Iyengar Yoga Level 1-2 class offered at the Shambhala Meditation Center, 1112 S. St. Mary's Street, Mondays at 10:00-11:15am and Wednesdays and Fridays at 11:00am - 12:15pm. Bring your own sticky mat. \$15 drop-in fee, or monthly classes offered at a discount. Contact Emilie Rogers at: texyoga@sbcglobal.net for more information.

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The Mission of the King William Association is to preserve and maintain the residential nature and historic characteristics of the King William Neighborhood and the diversity of its people; to intercede on behalf of the neighborhood with issues affecting the community by all civic avenues available including advocating for residential status with city; to improve quality of life by building community, promoting cultural endeavors, and providing scholarships and growth opportunities for deserving recipients.

(approved 3/19/97)

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LA MISION

La misión de la Asociación King William es preservar y mantener la naturaleza residencial y las características históricas del vecindario, así como la diversidad de sus residentes; interceder a favor del vecindario en asuntos que afectan a la comunidad por todos los medios disponibles incluyendo abogar con la Ciudad para conservar el estatus residencial del zona; mejorar el nivel de vida mediante el desarrollo de la comunidad, promoviendo actividades culturales y proporcionando becas y oportunidades de superación a quienes lo ameritan.

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City Council Districts 1 and 5 Candidate Forum

Tuesday, April 3, 6:30 PM

Church Bistro, 1150 S. Alamo

Please plan to attend this candidate forum organized specifically for King William residents. You will have an opportunity to ask questions of the candidates for City Council Districts 1 and 5 before you cast your vote in the May elections. One complimentary beverage per person. Thank you to the League of Women Voters for their help organizing this special event.

KWA Spring Social Potluck

Good food, great company, and an opportunity to sneak preview
SAY Sí's Yard Art Exhibit (sales begin on April 5)!

Wednesday, April 4, 6:30 PM

SAY Sí at 1518 S. Alamo

Please bring a main course/side/salad/dessert to share. Beverages, plates, cutlery, tables, chairs, etc. provided by KWA. Fair 2007 medals and pins will be on sale at the Social! Current KWA members always receive a discount.

Look Out for the Special Edition The KWA Fiesta Edition Newsletter will be mailed to you on April 17, or read it online on April 13 at www.kingwilliamassociation.org. This edition is dedicated to details about the Fair, particularly the critical parking and traffic flow restrictions. Information about keeping the neighborhood clean will also be included. Please DO NOT toss out your special edition without reading it carefully. **The Fiesta edition will also include, when applicable, free admission bands and vehicle and parking passes.**