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King William Holiday Home Tour 2008

Tour Texas' First Historic District on December 6, 2008

Special Offer! Limited Supply of King William History Books Available for \$5 Each at the Home Tour

Extra copies of Mary V. Burkholder's two King William history books from the 1970s have recently been unearthed and will be available to purchase for the low price of \$5 each on Home Tour day at our ticket booth, located at the San Antonio Art League & Museum at 130 King William Street.

The King William Area: A History and Guide to the Houses features history and photos of homes located on King William, Turner, Washington, Madison, Johnson, and E. Guenther Streets.

Down the Acequia Madre: In the King William Historic District features history and photos of homes located on S. Alamo, Cedar, Pereida, Mission, Adams, Wickes, E. Guenther, and Crofton Streets.

Get your King William history books while supplies last!

The King William Home Tour, an annual event showcasing the historic preservation and renovation of Texas' first historic district, will be held on **Saturday, December 6, 2008, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Anne Alexander is chairing the Home Tour for the second year in a row and has organized another stellar tour to feature a wide variety of living spaces – from an historic four-story house to modern lofts – all within easy walking distance. The homes on this year's tour are:

**San Antonio Art League
& Museum, 130 King William**
The Jackson House, 107 Madison,
**Home of Edward "Sonny"
Collins III, 202 Madison**

Home of Harry & Molly Shafer,
212 Madison #5 (Madison Lofts)
Home of Bill & Sally Hammann,
212 Madison #8 (Madison Lofts)
Home of Janie Barrera,
228 Washington

Proceeds from the King William Holiday Home Tour benefit the ACCD/Brackenridge High School college scholarship program, local schools, community art programs for children and young adults, and numerous community-wide infrastructure projects.



**Madison Lofts
Harry & Molly Shafer**



**Home of Janie
Barrera**



The Jackson House

Purchase Your Home Tour Tickets Now!

Ticket prices are \$17 in advance and \$20 on the day of the tour. There are three ways to purchase advance tickets:

1. At the Holiday Social on Wednesday, December 3 (details on back page).
2. At the King William Association office, located at 1032 S. Alamo Street. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
3. Complete the order form on our web site (www.kingwilliamassociation.org) and mail it in with a check and a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Tickets will be available for purchase on tour day at the San Antonio Art League & Museum, located at 130 King William.

FAIR*VIEW: Parade Finale

by Rose Kanusky, Fair Chair

What relationship should the parade have to the Fair? What is the best way to promote fairness in the parade and Fair experience? What is the best way to promote safety and security?

The Fiesta Commission is the governing body for Fiesta, and it recognizes our Fair, not our parade, as an official Fiesta event. Yet the parade is one aspect of the Fair that makes it a unique Fiesta event. Some people, however, view the parade as an event so unique it is separate from the Fair. Someone once asked me, "What's the Fair? I love your parade."

On a similar note, a well-known San Antonio leader suggested that we move the Fair to the fall and concentrate our Fiesta efforts solely on the parade. If public perception of the parade as a separate event is so strong, then maybe we should ask the Fiesta Commission to make our parade an official Fiesta event and run the parade on a totally different day from the Fair.

Alternatively, the parade could be run on a route that does not cross Alamo Street or a route that does not enter the Fair Zone. In even-numbered years, the parade could start at 10:00 a.m. and run for one hour on a circular course south of Alamo that could change slightly each year to accommodate different streets. In odd-numbered years, the route could be run through the northern reaches of the neighborhood, between Flores and City Streets. If the Fair started at 11:00 a.m., we could solve a number of logistical problems, including parade gaps and interference with Fair Zone setup and sales.

Some have suggested that it is not "fair" to move the parade route off Guenther Street. What makes the resi-

dents of one street more entitled to the parade than the residents of any other street? Does it matter whether the residents are members of the King William Association or not? Does it matter whether the residents are holding personal parties or volunteering to run the event? Does it matter which streets provided the largest number of Fair Chairs (Adams being first, followed by Madison, with a three-way tie among Crofton, Mission, and Guenther)?



Congestion at E. Guenther and S. Alamo intersection

Wouldn't it be more "fair" to neighbors to alternate the routes between the various streets? That way, everyone would have the opportunity for a prime viewing and personal party location. That way, everyone would share in the headaches of street closures.

The issue of fairness is not complete without a calculation of price. The parade, which runs for an hour, costs about the same as an entertainment stage, which runs about 6 hours. Some of the people who see the parade from inside the Fair Zone have helped cover the cost of the parade by purchasing an admission. The people outside the Fair Zone have not necessarily

paid their "fair" share.

Whether the parade is a separate event is related to the more basic question of why people like it in the first place. Is it the location? The quality of entries? The size? The lack of street barriers that make it so up close and personal? Is the parade the unique quality of the Fair or the other around? The answers to these various questions and those at the beginning of this column are not easy ones, but they are questions deserving thoughtful responses.



Fiesta Commission Calls for Members

San Antonio's famous Fiesta is promoted by the Fiesta Commission, not the City. The Commission receives no tax money; it operates based on memberships and sponsorships. There are more than a hundred Participating Member Organizations (or PMOs), which host an official Fiesta event (like the King William Association, which hosts the King William Fair).

Membership in the Fiesta Commission also includes many individuals and local businesses. Individual memberships range in cost from \$15 to \$100. Business memberships range in price from \$150 to \$10,000. To learn more about the benefits for each level of membership, visit the Commission's website at www.fiesta-sa.org. Or call 227-5191.

Lavaca/King William Extreme Target Sweep Community Meeting January 20, 2009

What: Please join us for a Community Meeting to learn more about the services that will be offered through the upcoming Lavaca/King William Extreme Target Sweep program. Representatives from participating City departments will be present to answer questions specific to the services they will be offering.

The Lavaca and King William neighborhoods are the recipients of a combined City of San Antonio Extreme Target Sweep scheduled for February 2-27, 2009. The Sweep program coordinates a comprehensive package of City services to enhance the appearance of the target neighborhoods and encourage long-term property maintenance (read more about it at <http://www.sanantonio.gov/nad/sweeps.asp>).

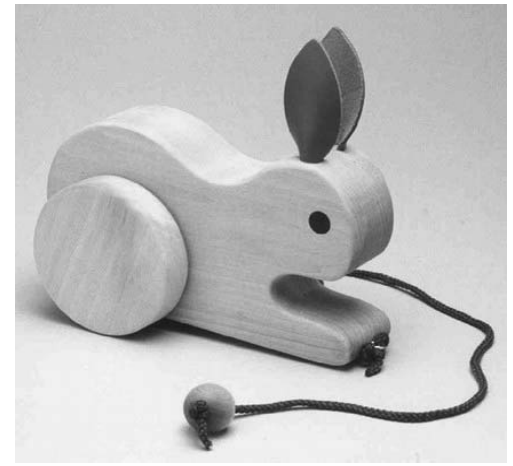
When: Tuesday, January 20, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

Where: Brackenridge High School Cafeteria, 400 Eagleland

More Info: Contact Joe Frank Picazo, Neighborhood Services Coordinator with CoSA's Housing & Neighborhood Services Department, at 219-5933 (cell) or 207-2820 (office).

KWA Scholarship Program Matching Funds Available

In 2007, the Board approved a \$6,000 matching grant program for the KWA Scholarship Program at the Alamo Community College District. Many contributions were received and matched, but money still remains in the matching grant fund. Please consider making a donation to ACCD through KWA so that your contribution can be matched while KWA funds remain available.



Holiday Toy Drive Donations Needed

The KWA is sponsoring a holiday toy drive for our former neighbors, The Children's Shelter. A wish list of gifts for approximately 162 children currently under the care of The Children's Shelter or in foster care is located at the KWA office.

Please stop by the KWA office to view the list and choose a child or two to delight with gifts this holiday season. You may also sign up to donate a gift at our Holiday Social on December 3. The KWA will be accepting gifts through December 17. Gifts should be unwrapped and labeled with the child's name and age.

If we all open our hearts, we can fulfill a child's Christmas wish. Thank you in advance for your spirit and generosity. I hope to make this a joyful holiday for these children. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 274-4636 or hope@studiocortes.com.

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Mary Sandoval
*Beloved Grandmother
of Jessica Rose*

King William and Lavaca Neighbors Show Young Students Our Old City

The San Antonio Conservation Society thanks some very special King William and Lavaca neighbors for leading several hundred fourth graders through three hundred years of San Antonio history during the month of November. Anne Alexander, Margaret Leeds, Ed and Luz Day, Alan Cash, Robin Raquet and Roselyn Cogburn from King William and Joan Carabin and Ken Erfurth of Lavaca used Conservation study books to brush up on their own knowledge of our city's colorful past.

On beautiful November mornings, these neighbors met their students at elementary schools around the city, welcomed them aboard chartered coaches and drove with them through downtown, pointing left and right to old homes, churches and buildings.

Ed and Luz Day took Powell Elementary students on a driving tour of all the missions: the Alamo, Concepcion, San Jose, Espada and San Juan. Students got off the coach to explore Mission Espada where they learned that all the missions except the Alamo have been a National Park since 1978—one of only two National Parks in the state of Texas. By coincidence, one of the students on Ed and Luz's tour was the grandson of Mary Bomer, Director of the National Park Service. All the San Antonio Missions are open free to the public.

Robin Raquet guided students from Cambridge Elementary in Alamo Heights to the Yturri-Edmunds Home. Built in 1824, the Yturri-Edmunds Home at the corner of Mission Road and Yellowstone Street, just south of Lone Star brewery, was once the headquarters of a 160-acre ranch and farm. Miss Ernestine Edmunds, descended from Canary Islanders and other early Texas settlers, taught first-grade at

Cambridge Elementary for thirty years. The boys and girls enjoyed Robin's telling of Miss Ernestine's daily horse and buggy rides to their school and the time her dog "Buttermilk" chased off a would-be robber. The Yturri-Edmunds Home is open to the public, upon request, for a small entry fee.

King William Association member and history re-enactor, Wayne Vick, wearing his Civil War era Union Army uniform, was, as always, the star of the show at the Yturri-Edmunds compound. Wayne displayed his authentic horse gear and weaponry and patiently answered a hundred questions about the loading and shooting of old cavalry fire arms.

Roselyn Cogburn took her Cambridge Elementary students to the Spanish Governor's Palace and learned something new. The beautiful old desk in the front bedroom came from the Verimendi Palace. James Bowie married Ursula Verimendi and lived in the Verimendi home with his wife and two children for several years. During that time he would have sat at that very desk to write letters. It was a "Wow!" moment for Roselyn who also enjoyed the secluded and lushly planted patio garden behind the Governor's Palace, so serene and cool amidst the heat and noise of downtown San Antonio. The Palace and garden are open to the public for a small fee.

At Mission Concepcion, Cambridge students learned a new word: Frescoes, pictures painted when these old buildings were new and the plaster was still wet. The pigment of the paint was absorbed by the drying plaster and became permanent. Concepcion has more of these lovely wall and ceiling paintings than any of the San Antonio missions. Hidden for centuries under layers of paint and dirt, the frescoes are

being cleaned and restored by skilled craftsmen.

Anne Alexander and Alan Cash guided Wilson Elementary students to the home of Juan Antonio Navarro, prosperous San Antonio rancher, businessman and attorney before the Texas Revolution and one of two Tejano signers of the Texas Declaration of Independence. The Navarro home is now the smallest (1/3 acre) Texas State Historic Park, located right downtown and open to the public for a small fee.

A Buffalo Soldier history re-enactor at the Navarro House fascinated the children with his cavalry uniform and equipment and stories of protecting settlements and wagon trains on the post-Civil War frontier.

At Mission Concepcion, Anne and Alan and their students also enjoyed history re-enactors, a man and woman dressed as Texas settlers circa 1845. These children of the micro-wave and television age were fascinated by butter made in a churn, soap made from animal fat and ashes, dolls made from corn husks, corn-cob pipes, hand-made clothing and the intricate process of loading and firing a long rifle.

These Heritage Tours for fourth grade students are a major Conservation Society effort every November. Money earned at NIOSA, Night In Old San Antonio, during Fiesta pays for the coaches and drivers.

The tours could not happen, however, without the generous gift of time, energy and love of history given by dozens of individuals like our own King William and Lavaca neighbors who serve as guides. Thank you all.

Roselyn Cogburn

Meet the Board Michael Shearin Guarino

KWA Board Member since 2008

What brought you to live in KW neighborhood?

My vintage roadster. But seriously folks, the house I've loved since I was a student in the School of Architecture came up for sale, just when I'd stopped looking. I couldn't believe my luck. I've loved King William ever since childhood visits to San Antonio and had always hoped to live here.



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

I'm glad the rest of the world loves King William as much as I do. I just hope we aren't loved to death. Striking a balance between the open hearted welcome of the Fair and First Friday, and all of our needs for privacy and security will be a continuing challenge. I don't see overwhelming pressures of gentrification, but rising taxes put a very great burden on many of the families who have lived here the longest. I hope that we won't see new buyers trying to McMansionize the area with insensitive enlargements of the existing houses.

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

Right now I'm reading a Boris Akunin thriller called *The Death of Achilles*. This is a Russian detective novelist and the book was lent to me by a friend who works in the Ukraine.

What's your favorite place in San Antonio to take friends or family who come here from out of town?

Well, depends on the visitor. I do a walkabout for UT graduate students every semester the whole length of the River Walk. I take just about everyone to all of the missions and the Alamo and the Governor's Palace. For the museum-minded there is the Witte, San Antonio Museum of Art and the McNay (a lot of my architect friends want to see the new Stieren wing). I usually contrive a way to end up in my favorite watering hole, the Menger bar.

What is your favorite vacation spot outside of San Antonio?

Rome.

Do you canoe?

Hmmm. Is that on top of the water or in it?

Meet the Board Nancy Nobles Price

KWA Board Member since 2008



What brought you to live in the King William neighborhood?

We wanted our daughter Emma to start kindergarten in the dual language program at Bonham Elementary. We applied to SAISD to transfer her from Travis Elementary to Bonham but received a negative response. A friend of ours insisted that we needed to look at Rick Casey's

house when he and his family were moving to Houston. We had just finished a lengthy renovation of our house in Monte Vista and were not planning to move. We took one look at the Casey house and fell in love with it. It was the right house at the right time!

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

I want to ensure the neighborhood's continued involvement and support of Bonham Academy. The school has a fabulous art program that provides children with creative outlets. Without the King William Association support, this program would not exist.

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

Three Cups of Tea by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin. It is a fascinating story about a mountaineer who drifted into an impoverished Pakistan village after a failed attempt to climb K2. He promises to build the village a school. Over the ensuing decade, he successfully built not just one but fifty-five schools especially for girls.

What's your favorite place in San Antonio to take friends or family who come here from out of town?

We often have visitors during Fiesta week. Our favorite events are NIOSA and, of course, the King William Fair!

What is your favorite vacation spot outside of San Antonio?

We love to travel internationally and usually don't go anywhere twice! I would say my favorite trips have been to Switzerland, Syria and Peru.

Do you canoe?

Yes, Chris' family has a cabin on the Guadalupe River. Unfortunately, we have never been able to organize to have the canoe here for the King William Regatta on July 4th! But never say never!

KWA Sidewalk Improvement Program Renewed for 2008-09



The KWA Sidewalk Improvement Program is a reimbursement program that provides incentives for King William property owners to make public improvements in the neighborhood. The KWA Board recently voted to renew the program and increase the reimbursement amount for approved work to \$25 per linear foot, up to a maximum of \$2,500 per "street face."

To receive reimbursement, please follow these guidelines:

- Applications must be submitted by January 16, 2009.
- Acceptance of applications will be on a first come, first served basis.
- All sidewalk work must be completed by April 1, 2009.
- Applicant must submit the final City inspection report to the KWA. The KWA will make payment to the applicant within 30 days of receipt of a final City inspection report and verification of all requirements.

For more information and an application, please contact the KWA office.

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Memories of the Schuchard Family



Anne Schuchard Hebdon died October 17, 2008, at age 78. Her parents were Ernst and Elizabeth Schuchard. Anne grew up in her parent's home at 516 King William Street, currently the home of Ed and Dana Haverlah.

Ernst Schuchard, grandson of C. H. Guenther, the mill founder, had the house built for his family in 1927 on lots purchased from Edward Steves. His first cousin, Kurt Beckmann, was his architect. Ernst and Elizabeth's daughter Anne was born in 1930; their second daughter, Sallie, in 1936. Ernst's wife, Elizabeth, died in 1946 at age 44. Two years later, Ernst married Dorothy Terry.

Ernst was an accomplished artist and also an ardent preservationist. He researched and documented the remnants of the exterior painting on San Antonio's missions and assisted in the restoration of a portion of this work at mission San Jose using natural materials. He also did extensive research and assisted in the restoration of the grist mill at San Jose. A collection of his paintings and memorabilia are housed in the archives of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas at Alamo Plaza. Ernst died in 1972 at age 79.

Dorothy lived on in the house for the next 25 years. She was a proud,

genteel lady but resolute – insisting on staying in her house and her neighborhood even when it fell into disrepair and disrepute in the 1940s and '50s. She finally moved to Chandler Retirement Home in the late 1990s and died in 2001 at age 93.

Ed Haverlah says that he and Dana have a tremendous admiration for the Schuchard family and feel very lucky to have fallen into the ownership of their home. "After we renovated and moved into the house, both of the Schuchard daughters came to visit and enjoyed telling stories and remembering things they did when they lived in the house as children," says Ed. "Most of the stories were about their father, whom they obviously adored. An especially poignant moment was when they were looking out into the yard from the upstairs bedroom. They said they could almost see their father out tilling the garden on the side yard between our house and one next door. Apparently, he spent quite a lot of time in his garden."

"When one of Ernst's granddaughters and her husband visited our place after we finished redoing the yard, he paid us a real complement," said Ed. "This is the way Ernst always had this place looking," the grand-daughter's husband said. He went on to say that it made them feel really good to see the grounds back in the shape they were supposed to be.

"Anne's husband, Jack Hebdon, is one of San Antonio's most respected attorneys and was a real help to me after we bought the house," says Ed. "He was never too busy to help out in answering any one of my 10,000 questions about how things worked or how to solve a problem."

Bill Cogburn



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Narciso "Chico" Reynaga
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The start of my business began twenty-five years ago because of my father-in-law, Narciso Reynaga, also known as "Chico." Chico passed away June 4, 2007. His passing came as a complete shock to all who knew him. Chico was a very compassionate, caring, and hard working man. He worked right up until the week before he was admitted into the hospital.

His career in the landscaping business began in the early 1980s. Chico worked for many in the King William, Terrell Hills, and Alamo Heights areas. The people Chico worked for were not only clients, but friends. His work relationships quickly turned into friendships. He had a way of making people laugh with his jokes and giving them a sense of knowing that there are good people in this world.

Chico was diagnosed with cancer in 2003, but he never let that stand in the way of living his life. His family and career were important to him. He took great pride in the work he did and was extremely proud of his family.

My landscaping business has become a success because of him and all the traits he has taught me. I, like my family, miss him dearly, as I am sure his friends do as well. His memory continues to live on and he will never be forgotten. On behalf of Chico, I would like to thank those for whom he worked and for the friendships that were created along the way.

Daniel Gamboa

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UTSA's Institute of Texan Cultures Exhibits and Events

November/December

On November 25, the exhibit floor at UTSA's Institute of Texan Cultures came alive with twinkling lights and Christmas trees adorned with historic photos from San Antonio holidays' past. The themes of the holiday photographs are Winter, Family, the Joske's department store, Traditions and Children and Santas. The decorations will run through December. Visit www.TexanCultures.com to learn more about the museum!

In collaboration with the Japanese American National Museum in Los Angeles, UTSA's Institute of Texan Cultures features the comprehensive traveling exhibit "Fighting for Democracy: Who is the 'we' in 'We the People'?" The free exhibit chronicles the lives of seven ethnically diverse Americans during the World War II era who, despite the racist, sexist, and anti-immigrant sentiments they regularly encountered, served their country in the armed forces during the war and helped advance the domestic fight for full civil rights.

January

The Asian Festival at UTSA's Institute of Texan Cultures honors Asian cultures and traditions, and features a wide variety of performances, including martial arts and dance demonstrations. The festival is **Saturday, January 31, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.** Visit www.TexanCultures.com to learn more about the event and how you can purchase tickets.

Options for Parking Problems in King William

Parking during the day and for First Fridays seems to be getting worse, particularly in certain areas of King William. We had requested some permit parking but the city has turned us down. Another alternative for certain homeowners is available. The explanation follows:

If you live on a corner lot, you can request signs from the city prohibiting parking either in front of your house, on the side of your house, or for both the front and the side of your house. If you don't live on a corner lot, but would like to request signs, please note that the policy for parking restrictions is to have the restriction continuous from a corner. For example, if a house is the third house from a corner, then house #1 and #2 must also agree to parking restrictions. You can request either a "No Parking Anytime" sign or "No Parking 7AM – 6PM" sign. One- and two-hour parking restrictions wouldn't be appropriate due to enforcement issues. These parking restriction signs would apply to all vehicles, including resident and guest parking for those people on corner lots who choose this method.

The person with the city to contact is David Haldeman with the Traffic Planning Group. He is very personable and willing to work with residents. Mr. Haldeman can be reached at David.Haldeman@sanantonio.gov or 207-8058. Please contact him if you decide on this alternative.

Molly Shafer
Parking Committee Chairperson



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Thomas Nelson Page Middle School

My name is Gary H.F. Pollock, and I am the principal at Thomas Nelson Page Middle School. Our school's primary purpose is improving lives through a quality education. We are determined to graduate all of our students and prepare them for success in higher education. There



Mr. Babatunde Onibudo, "Mr. O," and his advanced band students

are a variety of fundamental beliefs and commitments that enable us to accomplish our mission. They range from believing that every student can learn and achieve at high levels to our commitment to provide daily effective teaching strategies in our classrooms to ensure the development of higher-order thinking skills. Another critical factor that often is underestimated is building relationships with our community partners.

Over the last three years, our school has had the fortunate opportunity to build and maintain a positive relationship with the King William Association. Our school actively participates in the King William Fair. Our band participates in the parade, and our PTA sets up a food booth, which allows us to generate funds for the students. We have hosted King William Association Board meetings at our school, and all members are welcome to request the use of our resources.

As a result of our relationship, our school has been the recipient of grants that are offered by the King William

Association. On October 1, our band director, Mr. Babatunde Onibudo, and I attended a ceremony hosted by Ed and Dana Haverlah to receive a grant for \$8,000. During this great event, I explained to the guests that these funds would be used to provide one-on-one instruction to our band students with the help of local musicians. This individualized instruction will provide additional opportunities for our Page Ponies to take their musical talents to higher levels.

In closing, I want to personally thank the King William Association for this grant. Our students, parents, and faculty are grateful. We look forward to a long-lasting relationship with King William Association. Please visit our school anytime for a tour or a fresh cup of "Canadian" coffee. Thank you for being a partner in education.

Gary H.F. Pollock
Principal
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G. W. Brackenridge High School

Dear King William Community Members,

As a recipient of a grant from your organization, I would like to thank you all for your very generous grant to the Brackenridge High School Library. The King William Association grant will allow the library to make inroads toward updating technology for administering the library, as well as for student use.

Brackenridge High School Library would like to remind the King William Community to visit and use our facility anytime during the school day. Our neighboring community members are always welcome. Brackenridge High School Library hours are 7 a.m. – 4 p.m. Even if the library is filled with students, we can usually find a computer for our visitors to use. We again would like to thank all of you for your support.

With sincere gratitude from the entire Brackenridge High School Community. Stop by anytime.

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Bonham Academy

The Bonham PTA sincerely thanks the King William Association for their generous grant to the ArtSmart program this year! We want you to know that your donation is providing wonderful experiences in the arts for all Bonham students!

Opportunities include the following:

1. Weekly art classes for all students with talented community artists from the Southwest School of Art and Craft.
2. Weekly dance instruction during PE classes in Ballet Folklórico with a renowned local instructor.
3. Frequent field trips and speakers in areas of theatre, storytelling, dance, and visual arts.
4. Periodic exhibits of Bonham students' wonderful artwork at school and in the community.

We continue to raise funds to provide for these experiences, and we look to our neighbors to help! Visit the ArtSmart Booth on First Fridays on S. Alamo for some delicious Mexican plates (thank you, La Fogata!) each month. We will continue the exhibition of our student art with a show in a neighborhood establishment at a First Friday event in the Spring.

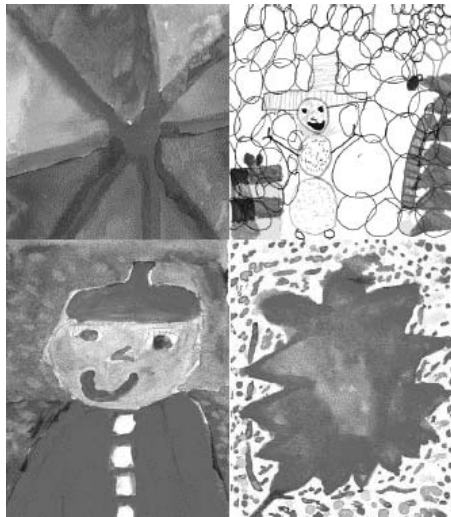
Future plans for ArtSmart at Bonham Academy include creating a talent directory of parents and community members, so we can identify who is willing to share their hobbies and talents with Bonham students, and which talents are out there waiting to be tapped! If you would like to volunteer your time or abilities, please see a PTA Board member or call the school and we will put you to work! We also hope to have a Family Art Day in the Spring. More details to come.

Gracias for your continued support of Bonham students and programs. ¡Vive el arte!

Dina Toland

Bonham Academy PTA

www.bonhampta.org



**Films to Screen
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December 20**

Slab Cinema continues their collaboration with the City of San Antonio to present a special Movies by Moonlight Holiday Triple Feature on **Saturday, December 20**.

6:00 p.m. Charlie Brown Christmas

6:30 p.m. A Christmas Story

8:30 p.m. It's A Wonderful Life

Event also includes pictures with Santa, Christmas caroling, playground of snow, and food concessions.

This family friendly event is FREE to the public; bring your own lawn chairs and blankets. For more movie info, visit slabcinema.com.

Kristkindlmarkt on December 6

The Beethoven Damenchor invite you to join them on **Saturday, December 6, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.** for their 17th annual traditional German Christmas market with hand crafted gifts, clothing, decorations, gingerbread houses, pottery, and much more including music, entertainment, foods and drinks of the season. Admission to the event is free.

Beethoven Halle and Garten is located at 422 Pe-reida Street at South Alamo. Call 222-1521 or visit www.beethovenmaennerchor.com for more information.

Gemini Ink Events

Join Gemini Ink for their First Friday Reading on **Friday, December 5, at 6:30 p.m.** with poet and NPR commentator Stephen Kuusisto and nonfiction writer Stephanie Elizondo Griest.

On **Thursday, January 9, at 6:30 p.m.**, Gemini Ink presents a reading by the 2008 Alfredo Cisneros Del Moral Award winners: poet Sheryl Luna and writer Kristin vanNamen.

Both events are free and open to the public and will be held at Gemini Ink, located at 513 S. Presa. Call 734-9673 or visit www.geminiink.org for more information.

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Calendars are \$15 and full color, featuring our very own students' artwork! And for just \$10 you can get 16 colorful cards and envelopes in both holiday and all-occasion designs. Email magalychocano@yahoo.com for more info.

What's Happening: KWA Neighborhood Calendar

December 2008

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2 Blue Star Brew: Crimson Jazz Orchestra Casbeers: Ruben V	3 KWA Holiday Social Casbeers: Magnolia Electric Co., Trey Orsi, DJ Jester,	4 Casbeers: Michael Fracasso, Mary Battiatia	5 Southtown: First Friday Blue Star Brew: The Lamplighters Big Band Gemini Ink: First Friday Reading (pg. 11) SAY Si: Out of Context: 2008 in Review	6 King William Holiday Home Tour (pg. 1) Beethoven: Kristkindlmarkt (pg. 11) Casbeers: Steve James, Cindy Cashdollar, Mark Rubin	7
8	9 Blue Star Brew: River City Big Band	10 Blue Star Brew: Ed Sherry/Mixed Emotions Big Band	11 Casbeers: Peter Case, Michael Martin	12 Casbeers: Susan Gibson	13 Southtown: Second Saturday Artwalk Casbeers: Slaid Cleaves	14
15	16 Blue Star Brew: San Antonio Jazz Orchestra	17 KWA December Board Meeting	18	19 Casbeers: In and Outlaws, Buttercup	20 Slab Cinema: Charlie Brown Christmas A Christmas Story It's a Wonderful Life	21
<i>Hanukkah</i> 22	23 Blue Star Brew: Primetime Jazz Orchestra	24	<i>Christmas Day</i> 25	<i>Kwanzaa Begins</i> 26	<i>KWA Office Closed ~ Happy Holidays!</i>	
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29	30 Blue Star Brew: The Lamplighters Big Band	31				
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Blue Star Brewing Co.

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Gemini Ink

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Jump-Start Performance Co.

108 Blue Star, 227-JUMP, jump-start.org

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1518 S. Alamo, 212-8666, saysi.org

Slab Cinema @ HemisFair Park

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Southtown First Friday

226-0888, southtown.net

Southtown Second Saturday Artwalk

476-8801, southtownartwalk.com

UTSA's Institute of Texan Cultures

801 S. Bowie, 458-2330, texancultures.com

King William Association

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DECEMBER 2008 - JANUARY 2009

The KWA office will be closed from December 20 through January 4.

There is no January General Membership Meeting.

12/3 **Holiday Social**, 6:30pm at St. Joseph's Society Hall

12/6 **Holiday Home Tour**, 11am-5pm

12/17 **December Board Meeting**, 7pm at KWA office

1/14 **February Newsletter Deadline**

1/20 **Extreme Target Sweep Community Meeting**, 6:30pm at Brackenridge High School Cafeteria

1/21 **January Board Meeting**, 7pm at KWA office

1/26 **February Newsletter Mail Prep**, 6pm at KWA office

LOOKING AHEAD...

2/4 **February General Membership Meeting**, 7pm at Blue Star Brewing Co.

2/11 **March Newsletter Deadline**

2/18 **February Board Meeting**, 7pm at KWA office

2/23 **March Newsletter Mail Prep**, 6pm at KWA office

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January 2009

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			<i>New Year's Day</i> 1 Happy New Year!	2 Southtown: First Friday Blue Star Brew: Sarah Temple	3 Jump-Start: Performance Party	4
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Approved by the KWA Board of Directors September 17, 2008

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Advertisements

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Crime Prevention with SAFFE Officer Doyle

Several crimes (home burglaries, vehicle thefts, vehicle vandalism, graffiti, etc.) have recently tested the safety and security of the King William and Lavaca neighborhoods. Please exercise a heightened sense of awareness and precaution, especially during this holiday season, and report all crimes and suspicious persons and activities to the SAPD. The more reports the SAPD receives, the more SAPD patrols our neighborhoods will receive. Please also contact the KWA office with your reports so we can spread the word about recent crimes and suspicious activities via our Weekly Update emails and monthly newsletter.



YOU can help make our neighborhoods safer:

- Keep your eyes and ears open!
- Report any and all crimes, suspicious behaviors, ongoing problems, ordinance violations (such as pan-handling, etc.) to the SAPD and to the KWA office.
- Keep your doors and windows locked, keep your car locked, and make sure you have sufficient lighting.
- Participate in the Cellular on Patrol (COP) program. Contact the KWA office to sign up for the next COP class.
- Contact our SAFFE officers to schedule your FREE Home or Business Security Survey.

Helpful Contacts

Officer Erik Doyle is the King William area SAFFE officer and is on duty Monday-Friday, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. Officer Ron Strothman is the Lavaca area SAFFE officer and is on duty Monday-Friday, 12 - 8 p.m. Both officers can be reached through the Central SAFFE office at 207-7413 and will respond to King William and Lavaca area calls during business hours.

- Emergency: **911**
- Non-Emergency: **207-SAPD (7273)**
- SAFFE Officer Doyle: **219-0177 (cell phone) or erik.doyle@sanantonio.gov**
- SAFFE Officer Strothman: **rstrothman@sanantonio.gov**
- Central SAFFE Onit: **207-7413 (M-F, 7am-8pm)**
- Central Patrol: **207-7410**
- Code Violations & City Services: **311**
- Report tour bus violations to SAPD: **207-7482**
- KWA Office: **227-8786 or king.william@sbcglobal.net**

February Newsletter Deadline

Please email any articles, announcements, photos, advertisements, or ideas for the February newsletter to king.william@sbcglobal.net no later than **Wednesday, January 14.**

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King William Association Holiday Social
Wednesday, December 3, 6:30 p.m.
St. Joseph's Society Hall, 420 E. Durango
RSVP Required

Please join us for a good food, great company, and holiday cheer!

This year's Holiday Social will feature a catered dinner, but we still need volunteers to provide appetizers, desserts, and set-up/clean-up help. Please contact Hope Garza-Cortés at 274-4636 or hope@studiocortes.com to volunteer.

You must RSVP for this Social since we will be ordering food in advance.

Please contact the KWA office no later than December 2 at 227-8786 or king.william@sbcglobal.net to let us know if you plan to attend.

King William Holiday Home Tour 2008 tickets will be available to purchase at the Social (more details on page 2). Sign up for the Children's Shelter Toy Drive at the Social and make a child's wish come true this holiday season (more details on page 3).

Lavaca/King William Extreme Target Sweep
Community Meeting

Tuesday, January 20, 6:30 p.m.

Brackenridge High School Cafeteria, 400 Eagleland

More details on page 3.

Happy Holidays!

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