

**Lavaca/King William  
Extreme Target Sweep  
February 2-27, 2009**

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>).

In anticipation of the upcoming Sweep, there will be workshops covering information on how best to work with the City for an effective Sweep. Please contact the KWA office at 227-8786 or [king.william@sbcglobal.net](mailto:king.william@sbcglobal.net) if you would like to participate in one or more of the upcoming workshops.

We will also have a Community Meeting on Tuesday, January 20, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. at the Brackenridge High School cafeteria. The Community Meeting will provide all residents living within the target area with an opportunity to receive additional information on the services that will be offered through the program. Representatives from participating City departments will be present to answer questions specific to the services they will be offering.

Please begin reporting any issues or concerns you may have to:

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# The Newsletter

OF THE KING WILLIAM ASSOCIATION

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## King William Holiday Home Tour 2008 Tour Texas' First Historic District on December 6, 2008



Home of Janie Barrera, 228 Washington



SA Art League & Museum, 130 King William



The Jackson House, 107 Madison



Home of Harry & Molly Shafer, 212 Madison #5  
Home of Bill & Sally Hammann, 212 Madison #8

Shown on back cover: Home of Edward (Sonny) Collins III, 202 Madison

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. Enjoy viewing a variety of architectural influences and hearing the stories of the houses – their beginnings and who built them, and something of the people who lived there throughout the years. For a house is but an empty shell without some tale of those who made it a home.

Ticket prices are \$17 in advance and \$20 on the day of the tour. Advance tickets will be available for purchase beginning November 5, 2008. Please refer to the advance ticket purchase instructions and order form on page 2 for more details about purchasing advance tickets. Tickets will be available for purchase on tour day at the San Antonio Art League & Museum, located at 130 King William.

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.

# King William Holiday Home Tour 2008

Saturday, December 6, 2008, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## Advance Ticket Purchase Instructions & Order Form

Purchase your Home Tour tickets in advance for only \$17 each! Tickets will be \$20 each on tour day. There are three ways to purchase advance tickets:

- Purchase tickets at the November General Membership Meeting on Wednesday, November 5 (see back page for meeting details).
- Beginning Wednesday, November 5, purchase tickets at the King William Association office at 1032 S. Alamo Street, San Antonio, 78210. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Complete the order form below and mail it in with a check and a self-addressed stamped envelope.

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Mail your order form, check, & SASE (if applicable) to:  
KWA Holiday Home Tour 2008, 1032 S. Alamo, San Antonio, TX 78210  
Orders received after December 1st will be held for pick-up.

## Home Tour Volunteers Needed

You won't want to miss this year's tour, and the best way to enjoy the tour is by being a volunteer and receiving FREE admission for as little as two hours of your time! Contact Anne Alexander at 277-2775 or [annealexander@satx.rr.com](mailto:annealexander@satx.rr.com) for more information about volunteer opportunities and to sign up to help make this year's Home Tour a success.

## St. Benedict's Update

Progress on St. Benedict's construction had slowed recently due to delays in fabrication and delivery of the steel for the additional floors to the main and two story buildings; however, the steel recently arrived and things are back up to full speed. The framing for the additional floors is now visible and roofing, siding, and windows are to follow shortly.



The current schedule calls for most units in the main building, with the exception of the penthouse level, to be ready for delivery and move-in the first part of January 2009. The main building penthouse and the two story building should be ready for move-in by March 2009. The grounds and

main parking area will be, as much as possible, finished in appearance by January as well, with the balance of construction being staged in the smaller parking lot at Sheridan and Alamo.

Two model units, a small studio and a larger two bedroom, are currently being readied for an opening party and marketing launch on Saturday, November 8. A full time, on-site sales office and live/work model that fronts on South Alamo should be ready by January 1. A second web site that is geared to potential buyers of St. Benedict's, [www.stbofsalofts.com](http://www.stbofsalofts.com), has regular updates on the schedule.

Current word from Dwight Hobart of Liberty Bar is that his operation should be opening some time in the fall of 2009. Permitting for the Madison Street project is on-going and construction will likely begin around the first of the year.

*Steve Yndo*

## FAIR\*VIEW: Correction to September Newsletter

*In September, we began a series about the parade's role in the King William Fair. A portion of that article was inadvertently omitted, and is reprinted here.*

The Fair itself began in 1968, was held for three years, then took a two-year hiatus before returning in 1973 under the leadership of Ilse Griffith. The early Fair entertainers were street musicians. By 1981, the parade was taking shape. The Fair was not considered officially open for business at 11:00 a.m. until the Wheatley (now Brackenridge) High School band marched down King William Street followed by kids on bikes and skates and anyone else who might show up. In 1983, the parade route was expanded from King William Street to turn around the park, march down Washington, and end at Beauregard and Alamo.

In 1987, the parade's starting point moved to the high school at Guenther and Eagleland, offering a number of ways to line up and manage the growing number of parade entries. The route went down Guenther to King William, around the park, and back onto Washington to end at Arsenal. In 1993, the route was modified to include Madison and end at Sheridan. Years later, the end was moved to Johnson. In 2007, the route started at Guenther at Stieren, and in 2008 started at Eagleland.

*FAIR\*VIEW continued on page 4*



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# FAIR\*VIEW: Parade Logistics

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 following information is not exhaustive but gives some background to these questions.



## Safety

Crowds gather for the parade as early as 7:00 a.m., which interferes with safely setting up the Fair Zone, as well as the parade line-up. The early influx of people also represents lost revenue because the admissions gates are not operational until vendor vehicles leave the Fair Zone at 8:30 a.m. After the parade starts, the crowds ignore the admission gates and stream into the Fair Zone by walking beside the parade entries.

A big problem for any parade, including ours, are gaps between entries. This problem partially arises from the various modes of locomotion and from groups that stop to perform. Our gap problem is complicated because, unlike large parades, our parade is not held on a closed course. In other words, there are

no barricades between the parade entries and the viewers.

For large parades, gaps may simply be boring. For our event, gaps are dangerous. There are no crowd control barriers along the route itself, and when Fair guests see a gap or think the parade is over, they cross the street. Gap problems can partially be addressed by a strong, well-trained volunteer force, and we hope that the Alamo City Rollergirls will continue to serve as the backbone of that force, as did they did so well in 2008.

## Duration & Size

The original parade route was limited to King William Street but grew as the Fair itself grew. Likewise, the duration of early parades was not very long but grew over time. In 1988, the parade lasted 18 minutes. By 1998, the parade's duration was 45 minutes. It thereafter grew to 120 minutes. In the last several years, our goal has been 60 minutes, start to finish (not 60 minutes in front of any one location).

When the parade is too long, it interferes with sales by art dealers, food vendors, and KWA (we sell Fair-related merchandise plus beverages, which are the Fair's second largest source of income, next to admissions). Longer parades lead to safety issues, like more and longer gaps. Longer parades lead to more lost revenue at the admission points.

The parade's duration is related to its start time, especially if the parade functions as the "opening ceremony" for the Fair. Traditionally, the parade started when the Fair opened (first at 11:00 a.m., then 10:00 a.m.). In 2005, the parade start time was moved back to 9:30 a.m., but the Fair's start time remained 10:00 a.m. In 2008, the parade's start time reverted to 10:00 a.m., when the Fair opened.

Duration is linked to the number of entries. The original parades were like the Pied Piper, where anyone could march behind the high school band. Later, parade entries were asked to complete applications. In 2003, the number of parade entries numbered 70+; in 2004, 70+; in

2005, 84+; in 2006, 85+; in 2007, 62; in 2008, 63. The + indicates those years where "extra" entries were admitted when they showed up the morning of the Fair. That practice is no longer followed.

## Quality

There is no hard and fast rule about the number of entries we accept because the number fluctuates based on the size and contents of each entry. Parade management treats the parade as an entertainment venue, albeit a moving venue, which strives for a balance between live music, recorded music, participants with animals, color/creativity, etc. The goal has been to replicate the original entries, which were often small, but highly creative and typically came from the neighborhood.



The early parades did not have a grand marshal. By the late 80s, the grand marshal was identified one to four weeks before the Fair. In recent years, the marshal has been selected to enhance the parade's theme. Traditionally, some parades had themes, others did not. In the past two years, the theme has been kid-friendly and literary, with a grand marshal to fit. Through the sole efforts of our chief parade wrangler, Sue Duffy, more than 12,000 children's books were donated by Half-Price Books, and others, to be distributed along the parade route.

Stay tuned for more parade information in next month's column.

*Rose Kanusky, Fair Chair*

## Stories Galore:



### Doc Moore and Tim Tingle Tell Turtle-Herding Stories

Stories Galore, a free story-swap hosted by Elder Stone for experienced and beginning storytellers and listeners, closes out the year on **Sunday, November 16, from 5:00–7:00 p.m.** at the Commander's House, 645 S. Main. Stories Galore will take a two-month hiatus during December and January.

Stories must be suitable for families with children and must not be derogatory to any race or belief.

This month's "Stellar Tellers," persons of some renown as tale-spinners, are Doc Moore and Tim Tingle. Doc might tell how he herded a group of turtles from Texas to a place back east, and Tim might let you gain more knowledge of things Choctaw. Don't miss this opportunity to see and hear this double-telling duo!

For more information, call Elder Stone at 673-4468.

## KWA Board of Directors Meeting Recap: September 2008

*This recap of the September 17, 2008, Board of Directors meeting is submitted by Secretary Roselyn Cogburn to provide timely information for KWA members. Minutes on which the recap is based will not be approved by the Board until the October 2008 meeting and may be amended by Board members before that time. For more information or clarification, call or email any Board member or Secretary Roselyn Cogburn.*

- June Kachtik, Scenic San Antonio, asked KWA to continue support of SSA's effort to limit off-site digital billboards in San Antonio.
- John Hartman, KWA Newsletter Editor, presented Newsletter Guidelines which the Board approved.
- Fred Pfeiffer, Chair of KWA Sidewalk Program, presented recommendations for 2008-09 funding, application and guidelines. Due to inflation, Pfeiffer recommends raising the reimbursement to property owners to \$25/linear foot to a maximum of \$2500.
- President Brad Shaw named the following committee chairpersons: Scholarships - Nancy Diehl; Graffiti Abatement - Neil Leatherbury; Children's Shelter - Jim Johnson; Concerts in the Park - Janis De Lara; Quiet Zone - Laurence Doxsey chair, Nancy Nobles Price Board liaison; River Oversight/Mission Reach - Johnny Heidelberg; Tourism Management - Roselyn Cogburn; Membership - Ed Haverlah; Lighting and Streets - Nancy Nobles Price; Underground Utilities - Michael Guarino; Sidewalk Program - Fred Pfeiffer; Planning - Brad Shaw; Historic District Street Signs - Brad Shaw; and Architectural Advisory Committee - Jose Castorena chair, Michael Guarino Board liaison.
- President Shaw also plans formation of a Quick Response Team (modeled on the neighborhood committee that is helping the owner of 421 Cedar recover from the fire that destroyed her home) and an Expansion Committee (to explore the possibility of bringing the neighborhood west of the River into the historic district).
- KWA members who wish to volunteer for any committee are urged to call the chair or the KWA office.



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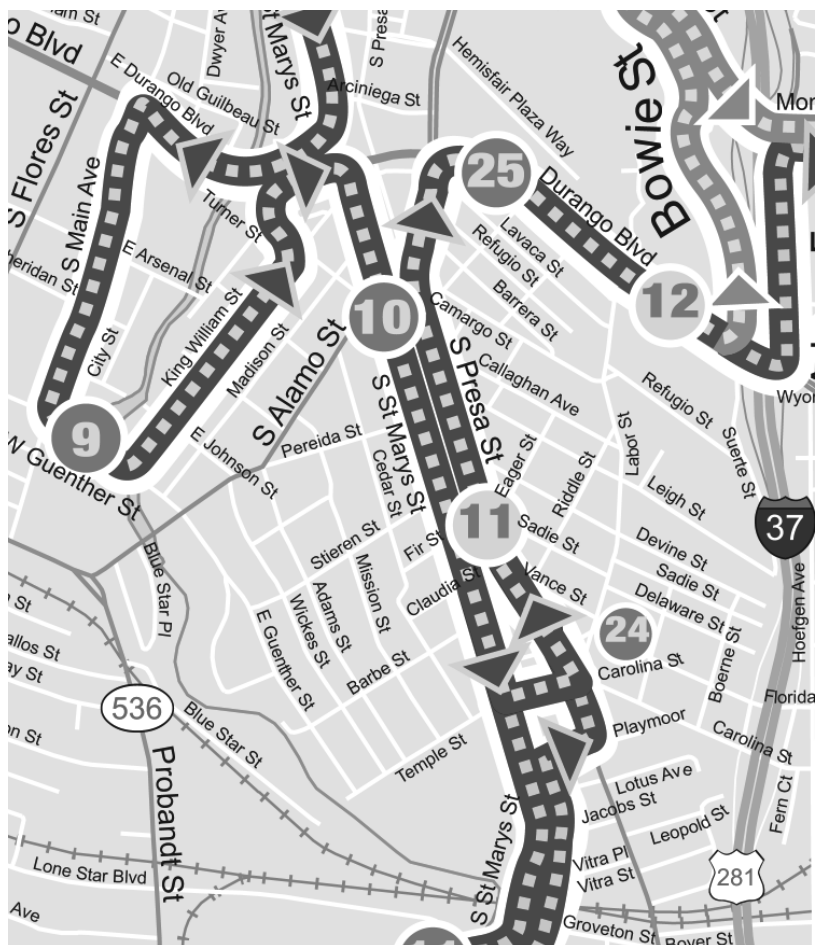
## Sunday, November 16

The first annual Rock 'n' Roll San Antonio Marathon & 1/2 Marathon will take place on Sunday, November 16, bringing 30,000 runners to participate in this exciting inaugural event. Access to our neighborhood will be limited on race day, between 6:30 – 11:30 a.m.

If you live on the route, a special parking pass will be delivered to your house before the marathon directing you to park outside of the route for guaranteed access to/from your home during the race. Additional parking passes are available at the King William Association office.

We encourage you to take part in the event, watch and wave as these runners come through our community, the majority of which will run through between 8:30-10:30 a.m.

More information about the race is available online and volunteers are still needed throughout the weekend: [www.RnRSA.com](http://www.RnRSA.com)



## Join the Southtown Walk&Roll for Life on November 8

The San Antonio - Bexar County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) cordially invites all Southtowners to a Southtown Walk&Roll for Life celebration at our offices at 825 S. St Mary's Street (at S. Alamo) from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Saturday, November 8.

As the name Walk&Roll suggests, this will be a free educational event for walking and bicycling activities. We will start presentations at 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 12:00 noon for three separate programs:

- a Walkable Community discussion and local walk-about;
- a Bicycle Commuter class and confidence ride for adults and high school students; and
- a Middle School Bicycle Safety class and rider skills course.

We will also have various informational exhibits and refreshments available throughout the day.

Some of the many benefits of a Walkable Community include:

- Transportation – reduced traffic congestion, improved safety, calmer traffic, better road and sidewalk infrastructure.
- Economic – increased retail sales (restaurants, lodging, retail stores), job creation, and enhancement of nearby property values.
- Environmental – improved air quality and energy conservation.
- Social – quality-of-life benefits from living in communities with more open space and greenways that provide more opportunities for walking or cycling.
- Health and Fitness – it is well recognized that Americans would benefit in many ways from a more active lifestyle. Bike lanes, sidewalks and trails promote healthy choices.

Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) are created by federal law to provide a comprehensive, cooperative and continuous transportation planning process that brings our region over \$200 million annually in state and federal transportation funding for roadway, transit, rideshare, bicycle and pedestrian improvements. For more information on the MPO, please visit our website at [www.sametroplan.org](http://www.sametroplan.org) or call Scott Ericksen at 230-6911.

# Michael Rodriguez Gamez

## 1956-2008

Michael Rodriguez Gamez, a San Antonio native and King William resident, was called by the Lord on September 26, 2008, at the age of 52. Mike's love of photography has touched and recorded many memories of many lives. He always carried the camera with him for that unique picture only he could see. He was a loving and devoted husband, brother, and adopted father to all his badminton kids. We must not forget his pugs Austin, Poona, and Yonex, who will miss their daily walks, rain or shine. His wife of 17 years, Rita Ann Cardenas-Gamez, wishes everyone to keep her in their prayers.

Michael Gamez started Alamo Badminton Club in 1997 in response to half a dozen junior players crowding the adult badminton court in San Antonio. Ten years later his club had grown exponentially and now has over 100 juniors who know all the fundamentals of badminton. Currently a dozen train in his elite program and compete nationally and some internationally. Even more compete in local tournaments and strive to be at the coveted elite level. Throughout his coaching tenure, Michael's students won 5 junior national Championships, 20 junior national medals, and 3 have been named USA Badminton All-Americans.

Some of Gamez' own badminton accomplishments include: Founder of Alamo Badminton Club, Head Coach of the 2004 Gold Winning Pan Am Junior Team, USA Badminton's Vice President and Director at Large, USOC's Volunteer of the Year, US Olympic Developmental Coach of the Year, Southern Badminton Association

President, President of San Antonio Badminton Club, USAB Junior Committee Chairman, USAB Regional Umpire, contributor to Tony Grice's book "Badminton Steps to Success," and USA Badminton Regional Coaching Director.



Michael Gamez in the King William Parade

Despite his busy schedule Mike always saved one day in April to appear with his Alamo Badminton team at the King William Parade during Fiesta. This event was a favorite for him and his wife, Rita. Countless days were spent preparing – team outfits, badminton routines, volunteers, etc.

Mike would wake up early that Saturday morning in anticipation of the event, arriving in the parade line well before other participants. The smile that he wore while marching gave it away – that he truly enjoyed being part of the King William community. When Michael and his team came to the end of the procession, he had a look of relief and accomplishment. But looking closer, he also had another look – regret that he would have to wait one more year to do this all again.

Mike touched many lives in ways that go beyond improving their badminton game. He was an activist for community, pets, and people. His generosity, love of the sport, and enthusiasm to help kids reach their dreams was incredibly strong and will continue to be an inspiration to all those who knew him.

*Ruth Menchaca*



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## INSCO Mural Project Update



As everyone who lives in King William knows, the long wall at the INSCO building has been tagged with graffiti many times. Volunteers from King William have painted over the graffiti for the past five years or so. As a result, the wall appeared as a patchwork of paint colors that was an eyesore at a gateway entrance to our neighborhood. The idea of a mural was discussed among the group and SAFFE Officer Doyle encouraged us to look into the possibility. Molly Shafer's research of graffiti abatement efforts led her to Philadelphia and San Francisco, where these cities had successfully invested in murals as a deterrent to graffiti. With this information and the support of Officer Doyle and others, funding was obtained from the City of San Antonio and several private donors. The King William Association provided a significant contribution as well. Jon Hinojosa at SAY Sí served as the coordinator for the mural project and recommended muralist Jane Madrigal. Jane has an impressive resume as a muralist and has painted several on the west side of San Antonio. Jane enlisted the assistance of artist Jose Cosme. Together they put forth some ideas and Jon, Molly, and Harry Shafer held three meetings with King William residents and business owners for critique and input regarding the mural design initially presented by Jane and Jose.

After several rounds of discussion, a plan was decided upon. The next step was to gain HDRC approval since we are a Historic District and the INSCO building

is considered a historic structure. Going through HDRC required presenting the mural design to the Public Arts Committee. The Public Arts Committee turned us down not once, but twice due to bureaucratic considerations. Finally, after the third meeting we were able to take it to the HDRC with Ann McGlone's and Chris Sills' help. We obtained HDRC approval and Jane was able to start work in late spring.

The first task was for INSCO to prepare the wall. Then next was to apply a coat of primer to the surface. This was done with a host of volunteers from the neighborhood and Lisa McKenzie, head of Graffiti Abatement for San Antonio, and her staff. Jane and Jose then blocked in the mural and began work. Jane, the mother of two, and Jose, employed elsewhere, had to work part-time during the heat of the summer, but with persistence and patience, they finished around October 11.

We are grateful to the many people who stepped forward to help when called upon, especially Lisa McKenzie and her staff, SAFFE Officer Erik Doyle, Chris Sills, Ann McGlone, Jon Hinojosa, volunteers from the King William Graffiti Team, and all that provided funding, including the City of San Antonio Graffiti Abatement program, King William Association, and private donors. Jim Gillette, newcomer to San Antonio from Los Angeles, is preparing a video of the mural's process.

*Molly and Harry Shafer*

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# National Night Out Thanks

Thank you to all the neighbors who came out to give crime a going away party on Tuesday night, October 7th! Special thanks to SAFFE Officer Erik Doyle and the following block party organizers for working hard to host five King William block parties: Anna Dovalina, Johnny Heidelberg, Sherry Hess, Joe and Mary Helen Mansbach, Beverly Schwartzman, and Jen Stanford.

More National Night Out 2008 photos will be featured in the December/January newsletter.



E. Guenther-Crofton-Constance Party:  
Nancy Diehl, Hope and Carlos Cortes



KW West Party: Michael Nye and  
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## Out in the Garden

with Alan Cash

It has been a fast year, but not the best for gardening. With less than normal rainfall, most plants didn't perform as well as expected.



We always hope for a better new year. With that in mind, fall is the time to get ready for spring. Plant trees and shrubs up until the end of the year. Roots will become established during the winter months and you will gain a year on new growth by planting now rather than later. A ring of mulch about 2 feet in diameter and 3 or 4 inches thick will protect new roots as they develop. Keep in mind the mature size of what you plant and compare that to the space you have.

We live in the city but I like to call it an urban forest. We share our unique space with a wide range of wild critters. There are, of course, birds, squirrels, insects and our pets. But we also have opossums, raccoons, and skunks. I bet I'm not the only one who has almost tripped over a skunk when you least expected it. If you have had the experience of planting something and the next day it was dug up or even gone, it may have been one of the last group of animals that did it. Moist, loose soil seems to be a magnet for foraging varmints. So when planting smaller shrubs and perennials, you may want to put rocks or some type of barrier around them for a few days to keep them from being dug up.

Now is also a good time to add to areas where you have already mulched. Mulch decomposes at a rate of about 1 inch a year, and it is good to maintain a layer of about 3 inches to help keep soil moist and warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer.

Grass roots continue growing through the winter, so now is the best time to fertilize. Organic granular fertilizers are friendlier to the environment. Lawns and shallow rooted plants should be watered about every 3 weeks during the winter. Skip a time only if your area has rainfall of about one inch at one time.

As plants go dormant, we think of trimming them back. Wait until around Valentine's to do any major trimming. But wait until late spring to trim plants such as mountain laurels, bridal wreath, climbing roses, and others that bloom on OLD WOOD in early spring. Trimming these before they bloom will result in no flowers in 2009.

Many of us will buy or receive poinsettias for the holidays. Keep them inside in a cool, bright place and keep the soil moist but not wet. If the pot has a wrapping around it punch a hole in the wrapping so water can drain and put the pot in a saucer. In late February, you might want to plant them in the ground with a south exposure, but don't be surprised if they die. It's a 50/50 proposition.

As the year draws to a close, I hope this column has helped some readers in developing their gardens and even inspired others to begin gardening. I also want to thank those of you who have given me compliments by asking for my advice during the year.

This is the last article for the year of 2008. I wish all a happy and joyous holiday season, and a very good 2009.

*Garden Note: If you seek a mind at peace, a heart that will not harden, go find a gate that opens wide upon a lovely garden.*

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**Wednesday, November 12, 2008**

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

VIA Metro Center

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**Thursday, November 20, 2008**

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

St. Mark's United Methodist Church

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RSVP for either Community Dialogue to [toni.serna@house.state.tx.us](mailto:toni.serna@house.state.tx.us) or 734-8937.

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# What's Happening: KWA Neighborhood Calendar

## November 2008

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					1 Casbeers: <b>Dave Gonzalez and the Stone River Band</b> SAY Si: <b>Muertito's Fest</b>	2 <i>Daylight Savings Time Ends</i>
3	4 <i>Election Day</i> *** VOTE! *** Blue Star Brew: <b>Crimson Jazz Orchestra</b> Casbeers: <b>Landis Armstrong and His Guilty Pleasures</b>	5 <b>KWA November General Meeting</b> Casbeers: <b>Tennessee Valley Authority</b>	6 Casbeers: <b>Doug Sahn Birthday Tribute</b>	7 Southtown: <b>First Friday</b> Blue Star Brew: <b>South Texas Destroyers</b> Bonham: <b>School Carnival (pg. 13)</b> Casbeers: <b>Los Mescaleros &amp; Clepper</b> Jump-Start: <b>The Windows</b> SAY Si: <b>Muertito's Fest</b>	8 MPO: <b>Southtown Walk&amp;Roll Event (pg. 6)</b> Southtown: <b>Second Saturday Artwalk</b> Casbeers: <b>Trevor Meanor</b>	9
10	11 <i>Veterans Day</i> Blue Star Brew: <b>River City Big Band</b> Casbeers: TBA <b>KWA Office Closed</b>	12 <b>KWA Dec./Jan. NL Deadline</b> Blue Star Brew: <b>Mixed Emotions Big Band</b> Casbeers: TBA	13 Casbeers: <b>Beausoleil</b> Gemini Ink: <b>2 to Watch</b>	14 Casbeers: <b>Porterdavis</b>	15 Casbeers: TBA	16 <b>Rock 'n' Roll SA Marathon (pg. 6)</b> Stories Galore: <b>Doc Moore &amp; Tim Tingle</b>
17	18 Blue Star Brew: <b>San Antonio Jazz Orchestra</b> Casbeers: <b>Glenn Allan &amp; Kim MacKenzie</b>	19 <b>KWA Nov. Board Mtg.</b> Casbeers: TBA	20 Casbeers: <b>Nathan Hamilton</b>	21 Casbeers: <b>Freddy Krc, Jenny Wolfe &amp; Mitch Jacobs</b>	22 Casbeers: <b>Dave Alvin</b>	23
24 <b>KWA Dec./Jan. NL Mail Prep</b>	25 Blue Star Brew: <b>Primetime Jazz Orchestra</b> Casbeers: <b>Ruben V</b>	26 Casbeers: <b>Gypzee Heart</b>	27 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i>	28 Casbeers: <b>Sisters Morales</b>	29 Casbeers: <b>Patrice Pike &amp; Coyote Dreams</b> Jump-Start: <b>GlamaRama 2</b>	30 <b>KWA Office Closed</b>

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### NOVEMBER 2008

*The KWA office will be closed November 11 and November 27-28.*

**Wednesday, Nov. 5** November General Membership Meeting, 7pm at Blue Star Brewing Co.

**Wednesday, Nov. 12** Dec./Jan. Newsletter Deadline

**Wednesday, Nov. 19** November Board Meeting, 7pm at KWA office

**Monday, Nov. 24** Dec./Jan. Newsletter Mail Prep, 6pm at KWA office

### LOOKING AHEAD...

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

**Wednesday, Dec. 3** Holiday Social, 6:30pm, St. Joseph's Hall

**Saturday, Dec. 6** Holiday Home Tour, 11am-5pm

**Wednesday, Dec. 17** December Board Meeting, 7pm



## Make a Difference: Reading Mentors Needed at Bonham

If you have an hour a week to spare, you can make a difference in a child's life. Susan Rothman, coordinator for The Jewish Coalition for Literacy, and Dora Espiritu, principal of Bonham Charter Academy, are seeking volunteers to mentor children one-on-one. Helping a child learn to read is rewarding and exciting.

Each volunteer may choose the day and time to meet with the assigned student. One hour a week can turn failure into success for an at-risk student at Bonham.

Please contact Susan Rothman at 224-7544 and find out how you can make a difference.

## Bonham Carnival on November 7

**First Friday, November 7, from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.** is Bonham Charter Academy's school carnival, and we will be unveiling the new installation to our Permanent Collection, artworks by students throughout 2007-2008. Please stop by Bonham on the 7th to support our school carnival, all proceeds of which support the PTA's efforts, and take a look at what talented students we have in our community! We will continue the exhibition of our student art with a show in a neighborhood establishment at a First Friday event in the Spring.

Visit [www.saisd.net/schools/bonham107](http://www.saisd.net/schools/bonham107) for more information.

*Dina Toland*

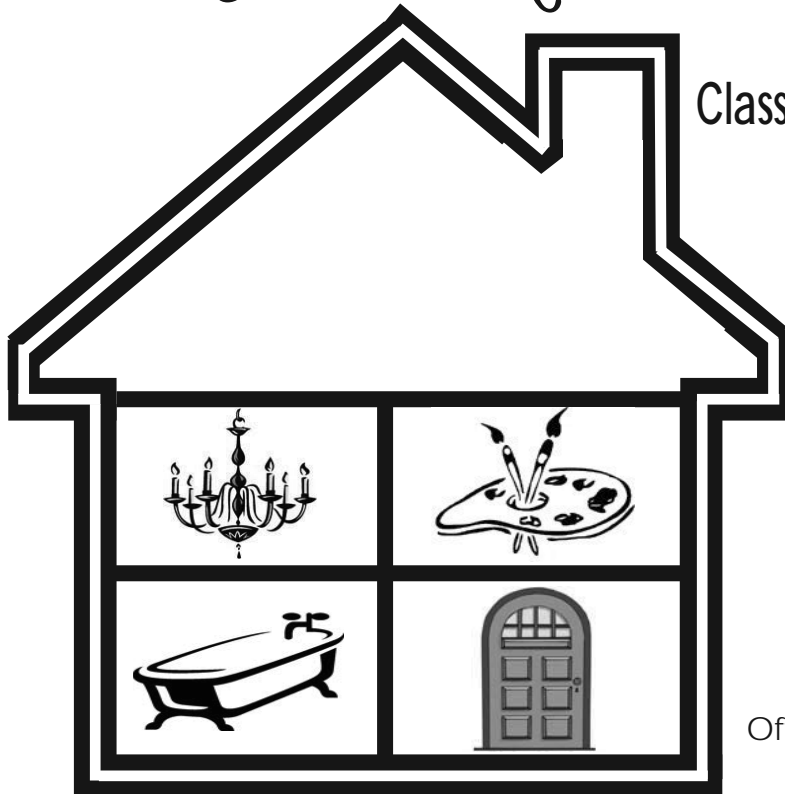


## First Friday Concert at St. John's on November 7

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church invites you to join them for their next First Friday Concert on **November 7 at 12:05 p.m.** The program will be "Music from Minneapolis" featuring organist Victor Schaper. The concert will be followed by a light lunch in Memorial Hall. St. John's is located at 502 E. Nueva (across from La Villita). Free parking is available. For more information, please call 223-2611 or visit [www.stjohnsroosterchurch.org](http://www.stjohnsroosterchurch.org).

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Editorial review is the responsibility of the editor of the Newsletter.

Source: *Brookmans Park Newsletter Editorial Guidelines*  
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## Crime Prevention with SAFFE Officer Doyle

Officer Erik Doyle is the King William area SAFFE (San Antonio Fear Free Environment) Officer and is assigned to work Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Officer Ron Strothman is the Lavaca area SAFFE Officer and is assigned to work Monday-Friday, 12 p.m.-8 p.m. Both officers can be reached by calling the Central SAFFE Unit at 207-7413. Officer Doyle can be reached on his cell phone during business hours at 219-0177.



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- 311 for all City services, other than Police and Fire
- 911 for emergency calls only
- 207-SAPD for all non emergency calls
- 207-7410 Central Patrol
- 219-0177 Officer Doyle's cell phone
- 207-7413 Central SAFFE Unit
- 207-7482 to report tour bus violations

### Holiday Safety Tips

With the holidays rapidly approaching, there are many things you can do to lessen your chances of being victimized:

- If possible, shop during daytime hours.
- When shopping, always remember to park your car in a well-lit place. Make sure it is locked and nothing is visible.
- Do not make repeated trips to your car to store your purchases; keep all your items together until you are finished shopping.
- Try and shop with a buddy, if possible. There is always safety in numbers and the buddy can help carry all your purchases.
- If you are carrying cash to make your purchases, be discrete and don't "flash your cash." Credit cards and checks are best.
- Pay attention and be on the lookout for suspicious people, whether it is someone who is being too observant of what you are buying or suspicious people out in the parking lots.

### Newsletter Deadline

Please email any articles, announcements, photos, advertisements, or ideas for the December/January newsletter to [king.william@sbcglobal.net](mailto:king.william@sbcglobal.net) no later than **Wednesday, November 12.**

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## November General Membership St. Benedict's Update

**Wednesday, November 5, 7:00 p.m.  
Blue Star Brewing Co., 1414 S. Alamo**

Please join us for an update from Steve Yndo about the St. Benedict's development. King William Holiday Home Tour 2008 advance tickets will be available to purchase at the meeting (see pages 1 and 2 for more details). Complimentary beverages courtesy of the KWA.

### Wanted: A Few Good Neighbors

Please help us prepare our December/January newsletter for mailing. Stop by the KWA office, located at 1032 S. Alamo, on **Monday, November 24, from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.** to stick mailing labels on newsletters and visit with neighbors. Your help is greatly appreciated!

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