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Preserving Trees in Historic Neighborhoods

The question: Do I need a permit to remove a tree on my property that is zoned as single-family residential in a Historic District? The simple answer is yes!



Heritage pecan tree on W. Johnson St.

Every day people call my office and want to know if they can remove trees from the property where they live. There are the usual reasons: the trees are too messy, they drop leaves, they drop fruit, pecans, acorns, twigs, limbs, etc., the birds are always making a mess, squirrels climb and chatter all day... I know a lot about the mess trees can make and also all of the benefits trees provide that are taken for granted. One of the major benefits trees provide is cleaner air that directly mitigates air pollution. The tree canopy we have in San Antonio is one of the biggest reasons our area is still in EPA attainment. Another obvious benefit is the wonderful shade trees provide that make living in San Antonio bearable in the heat of our summers. Oh, and how trees make our area so beautiful. I can only smile when tourists, family and friends come to San Antonio and marvel at how many trees we have. (They thought only cactus and rattlesnakes lived here.)

OK, so you really need to remove a tree that is dead, dying or damaged. Because the tree you want to remove grows within a historical district, a tree removal permit is required for single-family properties where construction is complete. There are no fees for the permit, but approval of the permit by the city arborist and historic preservation officer is required. For a permit and information about tree removal for historic districts, contact: Mark Bird at 207-0278, mark.bird@sanantonio.gov, or Justin Krobot at 207-6042, justin.krobot@sanantonio.gov.

When contracting for any type of tree work, be sure to ask the contractor(s) to show a city-issued Tree Maintenance License, a requirement for all tree contractors. A valid Tree Maintenance License-holder should also have proof of general liability insurance (minimum of \$300,000.00). You may call 207-1111 to verify a license.

When a tree is removed I always ask that a tree be replanted. The replacement tree does not need to be the same species or planted in the same location. What tree or trees do I recommend? That is a subject for another article.

- Mark Bird, City Arborist

MY PERSPECTIVE

by Deb Mueller, President

Ah, summer is here – or is it ough, summer is here? On Sunday, June 2 at 6:30 p.m. on the banks of the San Antonio River, it was definitely “Ah, summer is here!” The Mission City Hot Rhythm Cats were performing for the KWA concert series at the San Antonio River Authority and the weather was fabulous. The temperature stayed under 90 and cool breezes wafted across the grounds. I settled in to my portable travel chair, poured a glass of pinot grigio and took in the sights and sounds.

The crowd of over 90 people was eclectic, ranging in age from 2 to 80. Some were recognizable to me as neighbors, and others I had never seen before. Eight ducks seemingly in formation approached from the Guenther St. bridge with their wakes overlapping symmetrically. A pet greyhound sidled up next to one attendee sitting in a chair, and for a moment I thought might sample his newly-found friend’s drink but politely did not. Someone brought pizza and beer, others cheese, crackers and wine. Bikers approached from both ends of the river, and several parked and decided to stay a while. Toes tapped to the jazz music and I thought to myself what a wonderful world. No, no – actually that was Pierre Poree from the Cats singing one of Louis Armstrong’s famous songs (the same tune I had chosen for the father-daughter dance at my wedding 15 years ago). I definitely agreed!

As I walked home after the crowd-pleasing encore, I thought about who made this event possible. It started with a passionate neighbor, Janis de Lara, organizing the musicians and dates for the series. The funding originated from Fair proceeds. The KWA board reviewed the program and request for funds and how they related to our charter and mission as they developed and approved a budget last year. This is one of the tasks the KWA staff and board of directors will work on over the summer again for the upcoming year...it’s kind of “ough” but results in a lot of “ah!”



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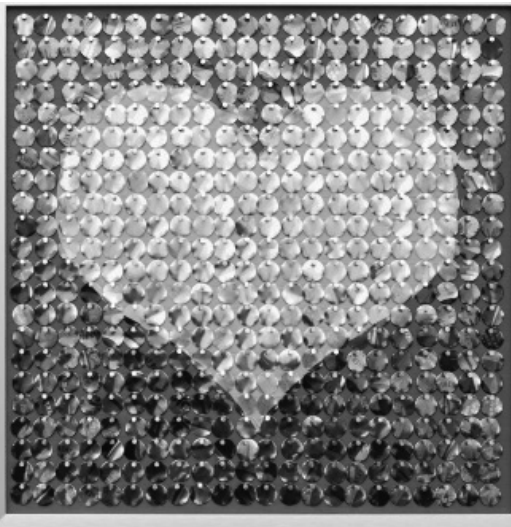
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2013 King William Fair Art Awards

Henry Rayburn Best in Show Award - art by nemo Second Year Running!



Hannah creates upcycled aluminum can kinetic mosaics by punching and nailing colorful metal discs to form an image. Nemo is a graphique couture artist who creates drawings from freehand circles and spirals. He is also the illustrator of the children's book *Goodnight Dog in the Duck Pond*. With the Texas Hill Country as home base, the couple travels the U.S. in their camper van selling art at fairs and festivals. They met in San Antonio in 2000, living downtown, and then moving to a fixer-upper in Dignowity Hill, all the while working together in the field of architecture. Somewhere along the way they got married on a whim on the Riverwalk, and then started a design and model-building business. After moving to Denver in 2009, Hannah and



Nemo decided to commit to art, buy a huge van and live on the road. They have seen many highs and lows since 2010, but they are still at it and loving every minute of it!

The focus of Nemo's art is not the subject, but the method by which it is constructed. Using various line weights combined with multiple styles of circles, spirals and swirls

to compose the subjects, the entire image is drawn free-hand with a number two pencil and accents of colored pencil on vellum drafting paper or clayboard. For Nemo, the real beauty is found in the complexity of details made with the most primitive of tools.

Hannah creates moving mosaics with round punched pieces from beer and soda cans. Each piece is meticulously nailed loosely in place to create the image, which twinkles and chimes with the slightest breeze or vibration. Hannah's favorite subjects are portraits of people and animals, but her simple heart designs are the most popular. She also has an upcycled aluminum jewelry line coming soon to Etsy. You can be a part of her art by helping collect cans!

Visit artbynemo.com for more information.

Best Fiesta Spirit – Sean Brown



Sean Brown creates whimsical ceramic and mixed media jewelry and art that celebrates many different motifs including cats, dogs, birds, bugs, and masks. He has been exhibiting at galleries and juried art shows since 1989. Brown holds a B.F.A. from Metropolitan State College in Denver. His education as an artist started much earlier in his father's graphic design offices and his mother's pottery and painting studio.

Working from his studio/gallery in the Santa Fe Arts District near his Denver home, Brown creates one-of-a-kind artworks and jewelry pieces for homes, offices and wardrobes. He has been awarded many prizes for his work, and has received numerous commissions for collectors, award recipients and fundraising efforts including Denver SafeHouse, the Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities, the Santa Fe Opera, The Smithsonian and Madeline Albright.

Each piece is individually cut from clay. Holes

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are made where embellishments will later be attached. When the clay dries, edges are smoothed and painting begins with various colors of underglazes and then bisque fired with additional glazes added before a second firing. Finally, special pens and ultra-fine brushes are used to apply an overglaze of 22K gold before a third firing. To achieve the desired result, some pieces are fired up to five times. Select pieces receive various wires and beads including 14k gold-filled, sterling silver, patinaed copper and bronze, and semi-precious stones, then adding found objects and natural feathers.

Sean's wearable pins, brooches, earrings, pendants, necklaces, cuff links, and framed art works can be viewed in his Etsy shop or at www.seanbrownartist.com.

Best Booth Display - The Wired Canary

Martha Wilson has been creating for over 25 years and started her business with hand-made children's clothing. She then moved into beaded and wired creations focused on household items. About four years ago, Martha was inspired by her garden herb markers, and she came upon the idea of imprinting vintage silverware with inspirational quotes. With the help of her husband, the handles are cut making sure to find a use for each piece. The ultimate in recycling! Martha spent eight weeks last fall on the road with her clever creations, showing her work at craft fairs. A few quotes from Martha's flattened spoons: "A fool and his money are soon parted," "I love my dog," and "Tell your story."

Bruce Duderstadt, Long Time Neighbor

Bruce Duderstadt was born in 1937 and passed away peacefully in his home at 207 Wickes Street on Monday, May 27, 2013. Bruce was a very kind person who was at one time a very prolific artist. For several years he worked for O'Neil Ford during the HemisFair years around 1968. He also enjoyed making beautiful, intricately patterned hook rugs that became magnificent wall hangings and he decided to go out on his own with his rug business. You can see one of his beautiful works hanging at the South Texas Blood and Tissue Center, another at Cappy's on Broadway and in several private homes right in the King William neighborhood. Bruce was also kind enough to hand dye the Fiesta banners used every year to help celebrate the King William Fair.

In his later years, Bruce enjoyed gardening and this year was no exception. He has the most beautiful roses in every color growing alongside his home along with many drought-tolerant plants. In his backyard he has wonderful tomatoes and herbs growing more successfully now than any other year in the past. He never wasted a thing and ate everything he grew in his garden.

While Bruce chose a very quiet lifestyle, he will be missed most of all by his sister, Wanda who lives in Chicago, his sister-in-law, Fran who lives in Seguin, and his King William neighbors. May he rest in peace.

- Donna Simon



King William Historic District National Night Out

Please get ready to join us on Tuesday, October 1, 2013 for the National Night Out 30th Annual Event at King William Park!

For more information and photos from last year's very successful event, visit www.facebook.com/king-william.NNO.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Please contact Patricia Garcia Duarte, KW Cellular On Patrol (COP)/ KW National Night Out Chair, at mppatty73@yahoo.com or 210-394-0547.

- Patricia Garcia Duarte



Op-Ed: What Do We Want in a Downtown Market?

I attended the KWA meeting in June when H-E-B roughly outlined their proposal for a small store on S. Flores (and their tangential plan to expand their corporate campus and close S. Main to through-traffic between Arsenal and Cesar Chavez streets). While the latter provoked a lot of understandable concern about traffic and the impact of an expanded H-E-B footprint in the community, I was disappointed about how little the overall discussion had to do with a grocery store. The actual proposal was left very hazy, and it felt there was very little to comment on in terms of design or dynamics of the store itself. More details of the proposal will come out with time, but I can't escape the feeling that we lost an opportunity as a community to tell H-E-B what we wanted out of a neighborhood market.

Instead, it felt like we were steered into commenting about the future of the H-E-B campus. My more cynical nature kept hearing... "we're going to do this anyway (push to close South Main), so wouldn't you like to get on board now and at least get a market out of it?" I can certainly understand the operational efficiencies inherent in the plan for H-E-B to put a market right on the edge of their corporate campus. What I didn't hear was why that was a prime location to serve community goals and interests. What is the population density of the immediate area around S. Flores? How many households could walk to the market? Where are the closest bus stops? How many parking spaces are we talking about? What does their consumer research suggest in terms of who will shop at this store, how

frequently, and what types of products they will buy at what price? What are the problems this store will solve for the community and what are the metrics we will use to quantify success?

Granted these aren't questions we are comfortable asking every business that sets up shop in this city. However, when taxpayer money is involved in subsidizing the project, then a community discussion of the goals and desired outcomes of the project is appropriate. Perhaps the simplicity of the stated central goal -- to bring a market downtown -- has glossed over a community discussion of some of the more complex underlying questions about why it is important to bring a market downtown and what effects we are hoping to achieve.

H-E-B is one of four vendors who have submitted proposals to the city, and will obviously be a strong contender, for good reason. They have a proven track record as both a good neighbor in King William and a strong supporter of numerous city causes. H-E-B also has the resources to support a downtown retail operation even if it never becomes a significant revenue generator. On the other hand, it won't serve H-E-B or the city if the proposed store turns out to be unprofitable.

If I were involved in reviewing the proposals, I would want to ask H-E-B difficult questions about how they plan to make the store profitable despite the fact that the proposed store doesn't seem to fit into their usual business model. I would also pay close attention to any competing vendor who had a proven track record of owning and operating successful urban stores and could tell compelling



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A Short History of South Main Ave.

A 1948 city map shows South Main Ave. dead-ending on the north edge of the old U. S. Arsenal property at current day Cesar Chavez Blvd. On the south side of the Arsenal, the street, which eventually became the southern extension of South Main was named Bois d'arc. Bois d'arc ran just two blocks from Arsenal Street to Johnson Street then it became Frasch Street until it dead-ended on South Alamo.

A February 20, 1949 article in the San Antonio Light announced the opening of the Main Street extension through the Arsenal property. "This will be the first section to be completed of the proposed Main Ave. extension which eventually will be projected to South Alamo St.," said James W. Knight, city street commissioner. The new section that cut through the Arsenal is 30 feet wide and 953 feet long.

Only 8 of 52 pieces of property remain to be purchased for the right-of-way to complete South Main from Arsenal St. to South Alamo, Knight added.

Source: San Antonio Light, Sunday, February 20, 1949; SAPL Texana archives

- Bill Cogburn

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Volunteer Mentors Needed for KWA Scholarship Recipients

Four new graduating high school seniors from Brackenridge High School received scholarships from the King William Association. Part of the King William Fair Scholarship program is to provide mentors to help these students succeed in their pursuit of higher education.

Both women and men are needed to mentor these young people. Duties include: meeting with your student in August and helping her/him get an initial start in registration for fall classes, emailing your student regularly to check up on progress, and meeting with your student monthly or every other month for coffee to provide encouragement and ensure they are doing well.

Please consider becoming a mentor. For more information contact our Scholarship Chair, Aimee Holleman, at (281) 796-1773 or by email at jeslukjak@gmail.com.



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stories about how those stores helped to solve problems or challenges in and around their surrounding communities.

I'd also like to hear more from all of the proposed vendors on how they will strive to serve the diverse economic needs of a downtown populace. I lived in Burlington, VT in 2001 when that city -- which had no downtown market at the time -- was trying to lure vendors to open a grocery store in the city center. The winning vendor, Onion River Coop, was one that already operated a high-end natural food store in the area. Many of the city residents were ecstatic at the opportunity to buy healthy organic foods downtown. Others felt like such a store would not serve the people who needed it most: those in the nearby neighborhood without consistent access to cars, and with very limited means. In the end the city reached an agreement with the vendor. The food market would carry the natural, organic, and expensive premium goods it was known for, but would also carry at least one economy priced product in each category. Also a bus-stop would be added specifically to serve the new store. The result was a positive example of public/private partnership that served the good of the immediately surrounding community. And, I'm happy to report that the store is still thriving today. Certainly Burlington, VT is not a perfect parallel for San Antonio, TX. But we could do worse than to learn from the way this scenario has played out in other communities.

In our rush to organize against what we don't want to have happen -- closed streets, traffic issues etc. -- I hope we don't miss the opportunity of having our voices heard on what we *would* like to have happen.

- Kevin Peckham

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Mustard Seed Academy

Coming to Southtown in August is Mustard Seed Academy, a Spanish-immersion learning center for children 3 to 5 years old. The learning center will be located at 1115 S. St. Mary's St., just half a block from Bonham Academy. I just recently completed my fifth year at Bonham as a dual-language teacher: two years in second grade, three years in kindergarten, and also one year as a kinder dual-language teacher for the Dallas ISD previously.

Dual-language has always been my passion. Over the years I have seen that the dual-language program really works, especially when you start your child early. It has been a delight working with the children at Bonham. I had the privilege of teaching some of my students twice because of my change in grade level over the years. I cannot say enough about the joy it has brought to me working with the Bonham community parents. Your involvement with your children will be paid back many times. It is for this reason that when I began looking for a location to establish a learning center, I concentrated in the Southtown area. And thankfully, especially to God and some very special people, I found the perfect location. I hope that my services to this area will enhance the Southtown community—this is my hope and passion.

- Cristina Medrano



Did You Know?

The King William Association Charter was submitted to the State of Texas on July 28, 1967. The purpose of a Charter is to proclaim an organization's purpose and intent. Seven purposes are listed in the King William Charter. This article is about the fifth purpose.

5. *The corporation shall foster and promote the cooperation and support of individuals, business groups, civic groups, and governmental units in developing tourist attractions in the general area and in strengthening the economic and cultural life of the surrounding area.*

Three tourist attractions sponsored by the King William Association are the King William Fair, which is an officially recognized Fiesta event, our Home Tour and the King William Walking Tour brochure. Another way the Association supports our area's economic and cultural life is by providing grants. Past recipients have included local schools and cultural art groups such as Jump Start, SAY Si, Gemini Ink and Classic Theatre, to name a few.

In past years, the Association has worked with City officials to create ordinances for bed and breakfast businesses and tour bus regulation. The Association is currently working with the City on a joint sidewalk repair program and reducing charity runs in the neighborhood, plus continuing to work on First Friday issues.

Staff would like to thank those neighbors who participated in the Lone Star Community Plan, attended meetings on HemisFair, VIA's streetcar, Blue Star Phase 2, Historic Design and Review Commission, Planning Commission, and many more meetings which have happened and which will continue to occur as the vision for Downtown 2020 is implemented. Thank you for your support in these matters and communicating with the staff and board about concerns and opportunities affecting our community.

- Cherise Bell

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OUT IN THE GARDEN

with Alan Cash

Over two weekends in late May and early June, between 10 and 11 inches of rain fell over most of the area between S. Flores St. and the I-37 Freeway. If you have a lawn of any size you have probably been out cutting it every few days. It seems clear that xeric landscapes are not only environmentally better, but can be less labor intensive. If you would like to reduce the amount of grass in your landscape, go by 815 E. Guenther to get some ideas about what can be done to reduce water usage and still have an appealing garden. If you have gone by this garden before, notice that there seems to be more pieces of unique yard art than previously.

As of this writing we are still in Stage 2 water restrictions. Remember to water lawns only once a week from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on the day determined by the last number of your house number.

Summer is finally here after an extended spring with rains and mild temperatures staying around until mid-June. So settle down to a program of garden maintenance until cooler fall temperatures come. Limit activities to mulching and fertilizing as needed. Mulch decomposes at the rate of about one inch a year, so add enough to flower beds to keep a depth of three to four inches. If it has been more than three months since you have fertilized, it is time to do it. Both lawn grass and shrubs and flower beds should be treated. Organic fertilizers are best and there are several brands available at local, independently-owned nurseries.

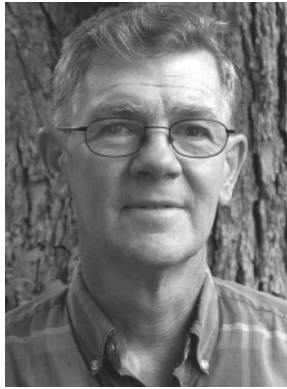
Many plants reseed and new plants sprout in the spring. This is a good source of new plants for the garden. Check around and under existing plants for seedlings. Plants that reseed

include althea, Turk's cap, lantana, Katy petunias, four o'clocks, zinnias and many others.

When it comes to vegetable gardening, my green thumb takes a vacation. However, I do know that about mid-July is a good time to start looking for transplants for your fall garden, especially tomatoes. So if that is your passion, start planting.

Villa Finale, at 401 King William St., is a house museum owned and operated by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Under a recent policy change, from Tuesday to Saturday, when the House is open for tours, you can stroll through the grounds at no cost. Sit awhile at one of the many seating spots and pretend you are back in 1876 when the home was built. For information about the Trust go to www.preservationnation.org.

Garden Note: Those who would have nothing to do with thorns must never attempt to gather flowers.



A New Look at 1032 S. Alamo St.

In case you are wondering what changes are being made to the KWA office at 1032 S. Alamo, the front yard is going through a major renovation. The project, approved by the KWA Board, began last month. Some original trees have been retained, but the garden will have a new look when completed, consisting of ornamental trees bordering the yard, two beds of Asiatic jasmine, and a boxwood hedge along the front and rear borders. Generally, evergreen plants are being put in so that the garden will have a permanent "green" look year round, but with some open areas for perennials and annuals that will provide seasonal color. A new irrigation system is being installed, as well as additional hose bibs for hand watering. The entire area will be enclosed with a dark green, Victorian style iron fence and gate.

- Alan Cash

King William Cellular on Patrol

Neighbors who like to work together to protect our families and community, please join our area group, King William Cellular On Patrol/National Night Out. This secured group site communicates neighborhood alerts and shares vital safety information. For more information, go to: alertid.com/KWCOP

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Dear King William Neighbors,

A few weeks ago, our city experienced very heavy weather that left parts of our District in great need of attention. I am very proud of the City's emergency responders for doing a stellar job of helping people.

Multiple City departments are still at work on repairs and cleaning the debris left behind. The City temporarily suspended regular road and sidewalk repair to address the hardest-hit areas affected by the floods. You may obtain a list of the upcoming Public Works' projects in the document, Post-Flood Clean-up, Repair Plan, and Project Schedule, by going to the following link: www.sanantonio.gov/publicworks/pdf

If you spot any areas that have not yet been cleaned up and are not on the list, please call 311 and register the exact location of the problem area so that crews can go out. We ask for residents' patience as we come out of this historic flood.

On a different note, the City is offering all kinds of activities for summer. Be sure to check out the City of San Antonio's Parks and Recreation website for family-friendly activities at: www.sanantonio.gov/parksandrec You may also take advantage of the summer-long schedule of weekly Movies by Moonlight at HemisFair Park. The shows are free and open to the public. Lastly, the Mayor's Summer Reading Program offers another activity geared toward children, teens and adults.

For any questions, feel free to call me or my staff at 207-0900.

Stay cool and be safe,
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Calling all Neighborhood Artists!

Artists living in the Southtown area are invited to apply to exhibit their work at the KWA office. Exhibits run for two months. Email king.william@sbcglobal.net or drop by the office for an application.

New Farmers Market in Southtown

The founders and organizers of the Sunday Quarry Farmers & Ranchers Market have started a Saturday market at the Blue Star Arts Complex.

The Southtown Farmers & Ranchers Market debuted on June 15. The year-round, producers-only market will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. every Saturday, rain or shine, in the Blue Star parking lot.

"Blue Star is an ideal setting for residents and tourists alike to meet, eat and explore the diverse flavors of the city's growing local food movement," says

market co-founder and director, Heather Hunter. This location also promotes an eco-friendly and healthy lifestyle through its pathways designed for biking and walking.

The market will feature a wide variety of farm-fresh produce, pastured chickens and eggs, breads and baked goods, vegetarian and vegan foods, cold-pressed juices, coffee, local honey, gluten-free foods, healthy dog treats, plants, herbs and more. "Many of the vendors at the Sunday Quarry Farmers & Ranchers Market will be a part of this market, but we are working to further localize it as much as we can by adding the flavor of Southtown," Ms. Hunter said.

For more information, call 210-722-5077 or email southtownfarmersmarket@gmail.com.



SOUTHTOWN
FARMERS & RANCHERS MARKET

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Nextdoor Helps King William Connect Online

There's a new social network gaining popularity in San Antonio. It's called Nextdoor, and it is a private social network designed to help neighbors connect and communicate. Different from email and Facebook groups, Nextdoor was designed from the ground up to help serve neighborhood-specific goals: fight crime, find lost pets, discuss neighborhood issues, organize yard-sales and community events, find baby-sitters and share recommendations on everything from restaurants to handymen.

The King William Nextdoor neighborhood was started in April 2013 -- inspired in part by the success of the Lavaca Nextdoor neighborhood which has an active membership of over 129 households.

While some neighbors report a reluctance to try out yet another new technology, the overall response from area residents has been extremely positive. "I think that many Lavacans are more comfortable within the walled garden of the private Nextdoor site than they are using Facebook," says Hugh Donagher, a founding member of the Lavaca Nextdoor neighborhood. "Many of our neighbors using Nextdoor don't even have Facebook accounts."

Other residents said that they use the Nextdoor iPhone app while at work to keep abreast of neighborhood news. That makes sense according to Alex Chaperon, the Regional Field Organizer for Nextdoor San Antonio. "Nextdoor is a great way to get to know your neighbors and your community," Chaperon says. "Our platform makes it convenient to track down a trustworthy babysitter, organize a neighborhood gathering, or even ask for help keeping an eye out for a lost dog."

Topics discussed so far on Nextdoor King William include: stray dogs, mail delivery problems, event notices, crime and vandalism reports, new neighbor introductions, and a friendly discussion of whether "Baja King William" is a valid and meaningful distinction.

While it doesn't replace face-to-face communication, Nextdoor does seem to be different from other social networks in that it encourages neighbors to introduce themselves online and then get out and meet each other in the real world. That was the goal from day one according to Nextdoor co-founder Sarah Leary. Leary spoke on a panel about contextual social networks at SXSW Interactive in March. When asked about the impetus for creating Nextdoor she had this to say: "... [Before Nextdoor] there was no social network specifically designed for the neighborhood, one of the most important communities in each of our lives. There are so many ways our neighbors can help us, but many of us don't know our neighbors, or how to contact them. Nextdoor's mission is to bring back a sense of community to the neighborhood -- to leverage the power of technology to help people build happier, safer places to call home."

Nextdoor is free to all users and does not include advertising. To register for Nextdoor, King William residents can go to kingwilliamsatx.nextdoor.com/.

- Kevin Peckham

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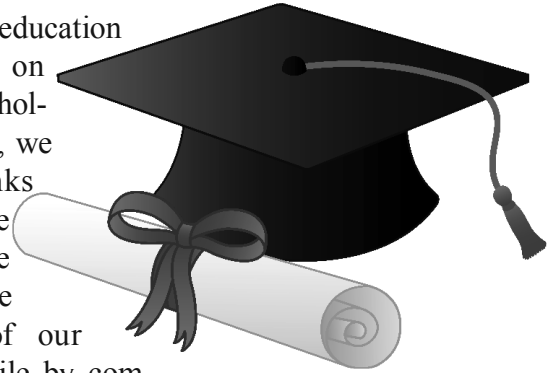
Brack and Beyond

Another school year has come to a close at Brackenridge, and as I made my way through the hallways one final time I could not help but nostalgically pause in front of each of my classes, wordlessly weaving together old memories in my mind. My involvement allowed me to see the school's underbelly: the numerous processes and departments and lists and meetings and paperwork and planning that make a school tick. Together with my understanding of the school's heart, its students and teachers and faculty and parents and alumni, I can say that I have had a complete high school experience and I am all the better for it. As a senior, I have witnessed my class lead the way for the underclassmen, impart priceless knowledge while carving out their own paths in life and eventually handing down the torch to those who will keep it burning bright.

The class of 2013 is just short of 400 strong and is pumping out individuals ready for what the future holds. Brack students will be attending schools across the country, and while many are staying in state and choosing large universities like Texas A&M and the University of Texas at Austin, or even staying in San Antonio and choosing Trinity University, Incarnate Word or countless others, some opted for ivy league or small liberal arts experiences, attending prestigious colleges such as Bowdoin College, Hamilton College, the University of Pennsylvania and West Point. Most seniors are extremely satisfied with their hard work and excited for the adventures to come.

Brackenridge graduates have earned over eight million dollars in scholarships and grants. The Brackenridge Alumni Scholarship, San Antonio Area Foundation grants and scholarships associated with the King William Assoc. make up a large portion of funds received and were awarded to dozens of students. These awards make our

post-secondary education possible, and on behalf of all scholarship recipients, we offer our thanks and most humble appreciation. We hope to make the great efforts of our donors worthwhile by committing ourselves to higher learning and earning another diploma.



As for myself, I cannot possibly express how grateful I am to my school and my teachers, to my family and to this city. Throughout my years at Brack I have undergone a transformation and have emerged a more hopeful, compassionate and determined individual. This fall I will be attending Swarthmore College in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania and I am ecstatic to say that I will be attending a school ranked third in the country on full scholarship. I can only attribute my success to the immense opportunities that my time at Brack has afforded me and the lovely individuals that I have encountered.

I will add that G.W. Brackenridge High School has an immense impact on all of its students, whether one has a pleasant or horrendous experience there. I think that we all leave with a little piece of the school, taking away a crucial lesson or essential information, as well as leaving a little piece of ourselves behind that enriches the school's soul and keeps the inner workings of a magical place like Brackenridge pumping away.

- Lupita Barrientos

We want to wish Lupita much success and happiness in her new adventure at Swarthmore. We're very proud of you, Lupita! - KWA Board and Staff

A composite image featuring a metallic sphere on the left and a wireframe chair on the right. A circular inset on the right contains the name 'alan kay' and 'born 1940'. A series of dots connects the sphere to the chair. The text 'The best way to predict the future is to invent it.' is overlaid at the bottom of the image.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

September 2013 – August 2014

The King William Association invites you to renew your membership today! Your membership enables us to support local art, education, and community programs and to further our mission to preserve and maintain our historic, diverse, and residential neighborhood. Membership includes two wristbands to the King William Fair, currently a \$20 value.

Annual dues for the 2013-2014 membership year must be paid ***before September 1 to vote at the Annual Meeting for the Board of Directors*** and by October 1, 2013, in order for you to be listed in the annual KWA Directory. Contact the KWA office at (210) 227-8786 or king.william@sbcglobal.net if you have questions about membership.

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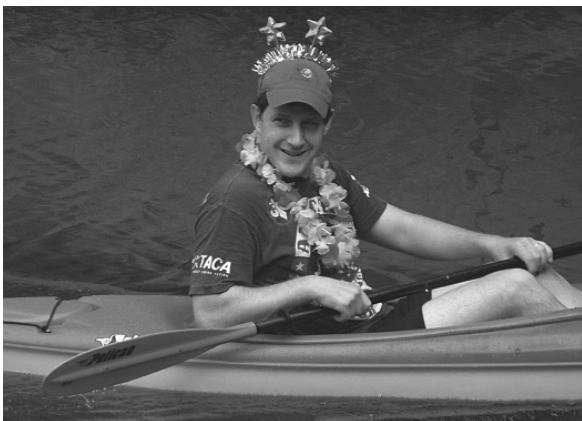
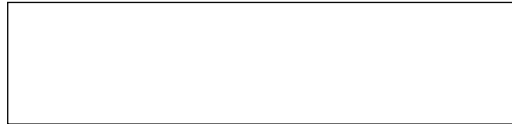


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July Calendar

- 4 King William Yacht Club Regatta - 10:00 a.m.
- 4 Summer Social - Upper Mill Park - 11:30 a.m.
- *Please bring a dish to share!*
- 7 Concert on the River - Austin Piazzolla Quintet
- 6:30 p.m.
- 17 KWA Board Meeting - 6:30 p.m.
- 21 Concert on the River - *Season finale!*
- Daniel Monserrat - 6:30 p.m.