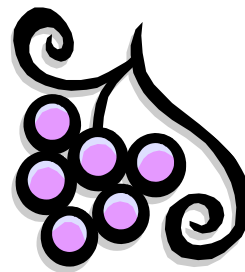


The Grapevine

The bi-monthly newsletter of the East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Planning Team

La Viña Boletín

Para info en Español, llame a Sabino 'Pio' Renteria 478-6770



March-April 2012

Get more at www.eastcesarchavez.org

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A message from our ECC Team Chairperson, Crisitna Valdes, 789-0309

The Economic Development Committee coordinated a successful business mixer at The Big Red Sun for our area business owners in February! The feedback was overwhelmingly positive and participants appreciated the sense of community in our neighborhood. Our committee's goal is to support a thriving community where services and employment opportunities are available to our residents. If you'd like to participate on our committee or attend a business mixer, please email cristinavaldes@realtyaustin.com and I'll be sure to include you on our list. While you are enjoying our neighborhood during the SXSW festivities, make sure and support our area businesses. We all thank you for choosing to spend your time and money in the East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood!

Mayor and City Council elections are May 12th!
Su voto es su voz! Register before April 12!

2nd Annual FREE Historic Home Tour **Saturday April 14th**

Once again, ECC neighbors will open their doors and share what they've learned about the history and maintenance of their unique properties. This year's home tour boasts an exciting list of sites including: renovated single family home gems, new businesses that have invested in our community's history, a presidential experiment in combining energy efficient construction with social integration, and a fascinating warehouse that is one of the last remaining vestiges of Austin's original railway system - and is now a vibrant artists compound. We will be partnering for the first time with Martin Middle School students to develop promotional materials for the tour and special activities for the youth. Maps and programs will be available at the neighborhood kiosks and at the Terrazas Library, by April 7th. More info and updates will be added to the ECC website, as it becomes available.

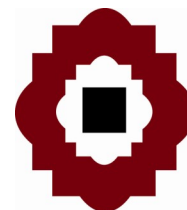
Check Out - What you may have missed at last year's tour is at <http://eastcesarchavez.org/committees/historic-preservation/2011-neighborhood-homes-tour/>

Join In - If you love learning about architecture/ local history/ home maintenance, meeting neighbors, and/or eating tacos, contact Amy Thompson at 499-0780 or man-kin76@gmail.com for more info or to sign up.

Welcome SXSW Visitors & Artists

*Please enjoy our neighborhood
but show respect for our community!*

Take a tour on our Tejano Healthy Walking Trail



Look for our trail markers & signs!

Learn why we love our neighborhood!

Pickup our 32 page FREE , self-guided Trail Guide listing 24 unique sites. Our Guide also showcases the Tejano Music Legends Trail, another gem that's 5.6 miles and better navigated by bike, segway, carriage or car. Both Trails lack sidewalks in some areas and can be difficult for those using walkers or wheelchairs. Trail Guides are free and can be picked up at Terrazas Library, 1105 E. Cesar Chavez St., or the Neighborhood Center, 211 Comal St. during business hours. **Guided tours are available by appointment.** Call 478-6770 or email lori-austin@live.com

Copies funded by the City's Neighborhood Planning Dept.

Crime and Safety Committee Report

by Lori C-Renteria, 478-6770 or lorirenteria@grandecom.net
Our area is in the Region I, George One Patrol Sector. Commanders' Forums are held Quarterly. **The next Commander's Forum is May 15th at 5:30 pm at the Waller Creek Plaza, 625 E. 10th Street, 1st floor;** you can park free in the visitor slots on the top floor of the adjacent parking garage. **Contact Edward Robinson to get on the notice list for meetings.**

Keep calling 911 when you see something odd. Let the 911 dispatcher decide if your call should be transferred to 311. Any crime in progress—even petty crimes—is a 911 call. All suspicious people or vehicles should also be reported to 911. Trust your gut feeling, if something looks or feels scary—call 911.

SXSW Loud Noise, Traffic and Trash Complaints call 911

The City issued many Temporary Permits for SXSW events in our area. The PACE Team worked with us to try to increase enforcement of temporary rules including noise, parking, and trash pickups. Please call 911 for complaints. It'd help a lot to also file complaints using the pace@austintexas.gov and call the Sound HOTLINE at # 974-1000 to report SXSW event complaints, because the Sound Hotline is monitored by those who approved SXSW temporary outdoor music venue permits. Edward provided updated contact info and helpful links.

Admin. Assistant: Edward Robinson 974-5340

G1 District Rep: Officer Jason Huskins 974-5292

DR's main number 974-3822 or dtac.dr@austintexas.gov

DR Supervisor: Sgt. John Spillars 974-5708

Region 1 Detective/DR: Lt. Tyson McGowan 974-5302

Region 1 Commander: John Romoser 974-8587

Team 1 - Persons Crimes - Main No. 974-5320 or call SGT. Keith Reynolds - 974-8507. Assault, Deadly Conduct, Harassment, Terroristic Threats, Disturbances

Team 2 - Property Crimes – Main No. 974-5484 or SGT. William Warren - 974-5425. Burglary of or breaking into Vehicles, Criminal Mischief, Criminal Trespass, all types of Theft
Citywide Night Detectives – Main No. 974-5320 or SGT. Dawn King - 974-8517 and Lt. McGowan - 974-5302

APD Home page: www.austintexas.gov/departments/police

APD District Representatives: <http://www.austintexas.gov/departments/apd-district-representatives>

Commander's Forum information web page:

<http://www.austintexas.gov/departments/commanders-forums>

Citizen Observer - Austin Police Dept

<http://www.citizenobserver.com/cov6/app/group.html?id=4117>

Sign up for both the Citizen Alert Network and Raids online alerts <http://www.citizenobserver.com/>

City of Austin - Crime Information

http://www.austintexas.gov/GIS/crimeviewer/CrimeViewer_disclaimer.html

APD Incident Report Database

<https://www.ci.austin.tx.us/police/reports/index.cfm>

City Code and Charter - http://www.amlegal.com/austin_tx/

Crime Prevention

<http://austingo.austintexas.gov/article/crime-prevention-services#overlay-context=article/crime-prevention-services>

Let's be vigilant for SXSW!

While there will be a lot of strangers and strange things happening in our area, we do not have to tolerate bad behavior and be victimized by petty theft, car break-ins, aggressive panhandlers and hookers. Call 911 when you see something odd.

DO THE 5: Watch the 3 houses in front of you and the 2 homes on each side and go meet them.

Volunteers are keeping our neighborhood safe & clean by watching, walking, biking and driving.

More Anonymous Volunteers Needed!

Eastside Rangers: Neighbors on Patrol and Block Watch Team Leaders

We are setting up a new private secure web group to ensure you can participate anonymously.

Contact: lorirenteria@grandecom.net or Call 478-6770 to get involved

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! GET INVOLVED!

County-wide Safety Fair

Sat., April 28, 10 am—2 pm

Reagan High School

Featuring how-to workshops on these programs:

- Neighborhood Block Watch
- Neighborhood Patrols
- Tracking crime by [Krimelabb](#) & [Citizen Observer](#)

RSVP required. Call Lori at 478-6770 or lorirenteria@grandecom.net Co-sponsored by the Greater Austin Crime Commission & Austin Police Dept.

Join our neighborhood's online crime watch group. Go to: <http://groups.google.com/group/east-austin-neighbors> and request to become a member. There are currently 84 members in the group.



Join our Affordable Housing Committee Call Sabino Pio Renteria, 478-6770 or pio@grandecom.net Update on the RBJ Senior Residential Center Master Plan

See www.rbjcenter.org or call Marion Sanchez at 477-1018 or email marion@estilopr.com. Se habla español. Many thanks to the RBJ maintenance staff, and employees with master plan consultant HS & A, and Taniguchi Architects for sprucing up the historic fish pond as part of our neighborhood's It's My Park Day on March 3rd. This historic place is described in our Tejano Walking Trail Guide and will be transformed into a neighborhood pocket park when the master plan becomes a reality. RBJ Board members are trying to raise private funds to move the project to the next phase. You can learn more about the goals and master plan by contacting Marion or the website listed above.

FREE TAX PREP & FILING
CALL 2-1-1 for information
www.CommunityTaxCenters.org



1. Qualify for free preparation

Free income tax preparation and filing is available for individuals and families making up to \$50,000/year.

2. Find one of our 9 Community Tax Centers

Check the list on the back, call 2-1-1 or visit CommunityTaxCenters.org to find the closest tax center location and hours of operation.

3. File your taxes by April 17, 2012

Our IRS-certified tax preparers will prepare and file your taxes free of charge

Preparación de impuestos gratis
LLAME 2-1-1 para información
www.CommunityTaxCenters.org

1. Califica para preparación gratis Preparación de su declaración de impuestos esta disponible a individuos y familias que ganan hasta \$50,000 por año.

2. Encuentra uno de nuestros 9 centros comunitarios de impuestos Vea la lista atrás, llame al 2-1-1 o visite CommunityTaxCenters.org para encontrar el centro más cercano y el horario.

3. Declare sus impuestos antes del 17 de abril 2012 Nuestros preparadores certificados por el IRS le ayudarán a preparar y presentar sus impuestos gratis. También podemos ayudarle



IF YOU ARE THINKING ABOUT **BUYING** this year, email me your criteria and I will set up a customized search to send you available properties that may be a good fit.

THINKING ABOUT **SELLING** YOUR HOME this year? Send me your address and I would be happy to meet with you to discuss the value of your home?

CHECK OUT MY FACEBOOK PAGE for details on **FREE** SXSW parties.
facebook.com/cristinavaldes.realtor

EAST CESAR CHAVEZ NEIGHBORHOOD REAL ESTATE MARKET SNAPSHOT – 2012 (AS OF 2/22/12)
(135 – CHICON – LADY BIRD LAKE – EAST 6TH STREET)

\$218,000 – AVERAGE SELLING PRICE FOR SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES

4 – SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES SOLD

66 – AVERAGE DAYS ON MARKET

4 – NEW SINGLE-FAMILY HOME LISTINGS ON THE MARKET

6 – ACTIVE SINGLE-FAMILY HOME LISTINGS ON THE MARKET

1 – PENDING SALE FOR SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES

*Data based on statistics from the Austin Board of Realtors® Multiple Listing Service (MLS).



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THE EMMA S. BARRIENTOS MEXICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER



600 River Street, 974-3770 or www.maccaustin.org
Exhibit & workshop hours vary. Rental space available.

Music Showcases on the Zocalo MARCH 16-19 FREE! GRATIS!

**FREE PARKING AND SHUTTLE BUSES AT
SANCHEZ AND MARTIN SCHOOLS.**

**Doors open at 5pm—Bring your lawn chairs
FOOD & DRINK BOOTHS SUPPORT LOCAL FOLKS!**
No outside coolers, drinks, food or pets allowed

Mexican American Experience

See the schedule: <http://www.crossroadsevents.org/>
Call 921-1961 or email ldftexas@aol.com.

Pan Americana SXSW Showcase

See the schedule: <http://www.panamericanafestival.com/>



Terrazas Library, 1105 E. Cesar Chavez St.
Call 974-3625 or www.austintexas.org/library

Celebrate Local History During March and Beyond!

Travel through time with the Austin Past & Present kiosk, on loan at the Terrazas Branch. Austin Past & Present was created by UT Film professor, Karen Kocher. It contains eight videos created for the project which summarize Austin's history from pre-historic times to the present and over 300 slide shows comprised of over 1600 images, accompanied by stories told by Austinites themselves. Austin Past & Present, as a DVD-ROM disc, is also available for loan from Austin Public Library.

Noche De Cuentos: Tues., March 20th, 7pm to 8:30pm

songs and stories about life here in Austin, East Austin in particular. Bring the whole family to hear from local storytellers and singers, including Consuelo Samarraipa, Danny Camacho, Trio Valendoza (Liliana Valenzuela and Celeste Guzman writer are part of this group) and John Salazar. Dwell more deeply in Austin by learning about what life has been like here. Stick around and share some of your stories, if you like.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA 112 Medina St. 78702, Info? 478-2802 Spring Fiesta*FREE! GRATIS!

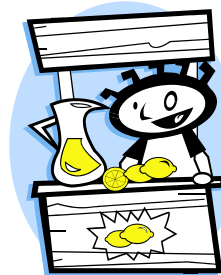
**Sat., April 21st,
12pm-4pm**

Activities:

- *health & info booths
- *children's games
- *food for sale
- *free pony rides
- *Austin Community College career van
- *live music & radio station

Mas info?

piba.austin@yahoo.com



Clean Sweep is Saturday, April 9th

Cleanup Events: 9 AM – 11 AM

Volunteer Party: 11:30AM – 1:30PM

Join others in our area sponsored by our allied groups: Capital Metro: Cleans up the **Metz Spray Park**; The Trail Foundation: **North shore of Lady Bird Lake** from Congress Avenue Bridge to Longhorn Dam, meetup behind the Holiday Inn at the Boat Ramp; The Expedition School: **Camacho Center @ Lady Bird Lake** meetup at Camacho Center; Texas Rollergirls: meetup at **E Cesar Chavez St & Chicon St**. Registration is now open! Keep Austin Beautiful (KAB) would love to connect you with an existing cleanup or beautification project. **Be a part of these events by calling Jessica Wilson at 391-0622 or see: www.keeptexasbeautiful.org/cleansweep.**

Cleanup volunteers are invited to a FREE volunteer party with music, food, environmental education activities and more. KAB needs volunteers to help at the party! You'll get a cool event t-shirt and free food. We need volunteers throughout the day to assist with set-up, work various shifts throughout the event, serve food, distribute door prize tickets, etc. **Anyone of any age can participate, so sign up today at www.KeepAustinBeautiful.org/CleanSweep**



ECC Team meeting highlights for Jan. and Feb. 2012

In Jan., we elected officers and discussed land use and historic issues. **In Feb.**, we approved permits for Papi Tino's restaurant, took no action on a demolition of 1613 Willow, and had lots of committee reports especially on SXSW and traffic safety on E. 5-6th.

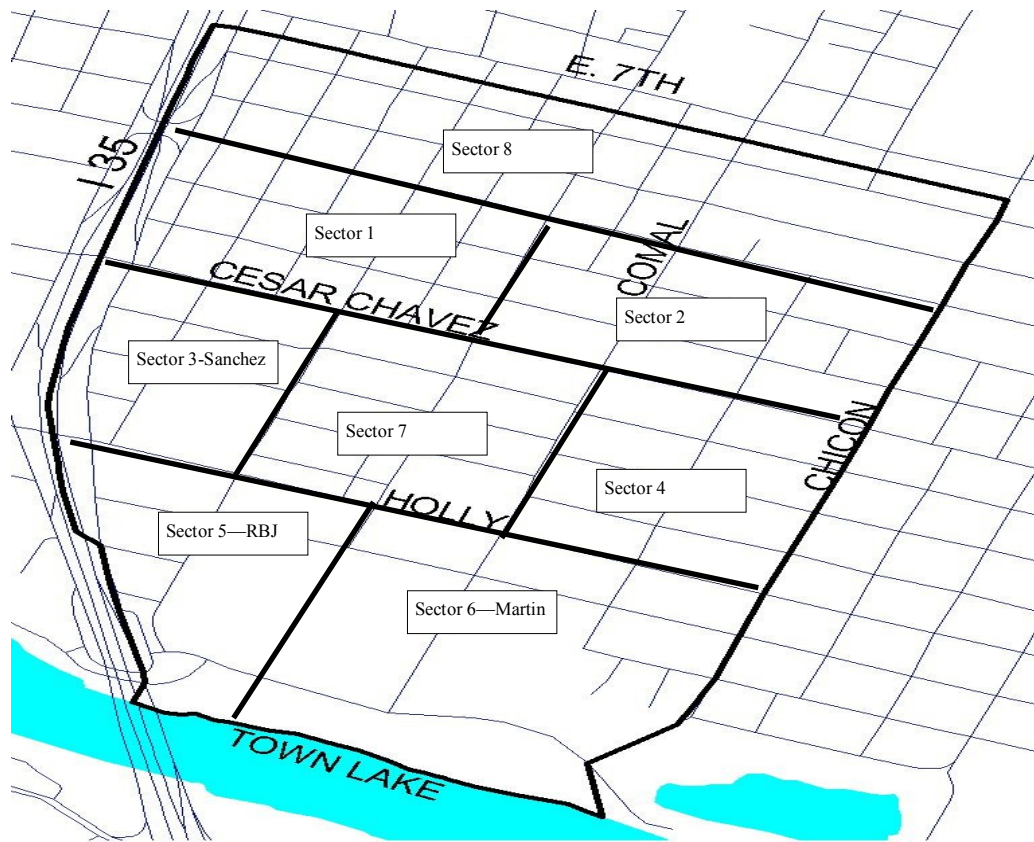
We are still accepting nominations for Sector Reps for Sectors 7 and 2. We have geographic Resident Sector Representatives so all parts of the neighborhood have an equal voice. See the Sector Map on the next page. Nominees for Sector Rep must live in the Sector, be able to attend monthly meeting held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 6—7:30 pm usually at Terrazas Library, and be willing to communicate/pass flyers to neighbors in their sector. Most people nominate themselves out of a concern that no one else is stepping up to speak for their part of the neighborhood.

We also need a volunteer to represent civic groups, non-profits and congregations who operate or serve residents in our neighborhood, this slot doesn't require the volunteer to live in the area. We do have business, civic and spiritual reps who are also residents in our planning area but an individual can only serve in one position. Nominees should be able to attend monthly meeting held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 6—7:30 pm usually at Terrazas Library, and be willing to communicate/pass flyers among the non-resident stakeholders they are representing. Most people nominate themselves for this important slot after a pep talk by another Team member. **To apply, send a 1 page bio and essay on why you want to serve to** lorirenteria@grandecom.net or drop it off to anyone listed below. Bylaws and policies governing our group are on our website or you can request a print copy by calling Lori at 478-6770.

Your ECC Leadership Team Contacts: Call if you would like to get involved with us!

Name	Address	Phone #	Representing/Committees
Cristina Valdés	E. 2nd Street	789-0309	ECC Chair, Business rep., Realty Austin
Sabino 'Pio' Renteria	1511 Haskell	478-6770	ECC V-Chair, Sector 6 rep., Housing Chair
Susan Benz	1101—B E. 6th Street	220-9542x100	ECC Treasurer, Sector 8 resident rep.
Al Moser	1901 Riverview	524-2974	Business rep., USPS carrier
Kathy Setzer	1609 E. Cesar Chavez	775-6436	Eastside Inn, Business representative
Accepting Nominations			Civic, nonprofit, congregation rep
(Rev. Dr. Jayme Mathias will serve until someone steps up to volunteer)			
Frank E. Campos	POB 40031 (78704)	971-7138	Non-profit rep. Education Austin
Ken Johnson	1809 Holly St.	210-710-2013	Non-profit rep., Architecture for Humanity
Farah Rivera	21 Waller St	501-9853	Renters' Representative
Pilar Sanchez	902 E. 2nd St.	477-4488 x2122	Sector 1 resident representative
Accepting Nominations			Sector 2 resident representative
(Cesar Alex Silva will serve until someone steps up to volunteer)			
Chris Kanipe	904 Spence St.	646-825-1892	Sector 3 resident representative, ANC rep.
Edie Cassel	1611 Willow	968-5313	Sector 4 resident representative
Jo Staton	21 Waller St., #1205	924-1105	Sector 5 rep., senior citizens' advocate
Accepting Nominations			Sector 7 resident representative
(Jeff Thompson will serve until someone steps up to volunteer)			
Kathy McWhorter	1711 Willow	478-9478	Parks & Environment Chair, Green Council
Amy Thompson	1402 E. 2nd St.	499-0780	Local Historic District Committee Chair
Lori C-Renteria	1511 Haskell	478-6770	Crime & Safety Chair, Newsletter Editor
Ricardo Zavala	9803 Eastwend, Unit B	(53) 577-8280	Education Committee Chair
Anna Rowlan		751-9378	Transportation Committee Co-Chair
Matt Lutz	1519 E. Cesar Chavez	767-7400 x4	Transportation Committee Co-Chair
Rick Weinberg	1109 A Holly St.	786-9050	Economic Development Committee Chair
Jeff Thompson	1408 Willow St.	322-9930	Land Use/Design Co-Chair
Molly O'Halloran	1308 E. 2nd Street	809-4777	Land Use/Design Co-Chair
Richard Roberts	1301 E. Cesar Chavez	351-9436	Fundraising Committee Chair

Resident Sector Map for the East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Planning Team and Association



KEY TO MAP

Sector 1:

Pilar Sanchez

Sector 2:

Accepting Nominations

Sector 3

Chris Knapie

Sector 4:

Edie Cassel

Sector 5:

Jo Staton

Sector 6:

Sabino Pio Renteria

Sector 7:

Accepting Nominations

Sector 8:

Susan Benz

The ECC Education Committee is proud to sponsor a booth at the Panther Pride Festival

FOOD*MUSIC*GAMES
Celebrating Student Success!

Eastside Memorial HS
at the Johnston Campus
1012 Arthur Stiles Rd

FREE EVENT! GRATIS!

Saturday, March 24, 2012, 1-4pm

Come out to support our school! Have a booth, just \$10.

All booth proceeds benefit our students! Info? Contact
meghan.b.buchanan@austinisd.org or call her at 414-5802.



Help us figure out how to protect our neighborhood!

Everyone who lives or works in our area is a member of our Planning Team. Leadership Team members are elected and have voting power to represent different geographic sectors so that all parts of the neighborhood have a vote and we have voting members who represent businesses, congregations, non-profits and civic groups. You don't have to live or work in the neighborhood to serve on committees. **If you are interested in joining our Team or serving on a committee, contact the Committee Chairpersons or any Team member listed on [page 5](#).**

EmanciPet Wellness Walk-in & Mobile Clinics

Our clinic at the old School for the Deaf or at our Mobile Van. No appointment necessary- first come, first served. Go to www.emancipet.org or call 512-587-7729 for an appointment. Low Cost basic veterinary services for spayed/neutered animals: Discount prices on Vaccinations/Heartworm/Flea-Tick Control/Worms.

SAVE TEXAS SCHOOLS!

**March and Rally
at the Capitol**

March 24 11am-2pm

info@savetxschools.org

Su Voto es Su Voz!

MAY 12TH IS ELECTION DAY

for Austin City Council Members

**New voter registration cards will
be mailed in early April!**

April 30 - May 8 is Early Vote

Questions? Candidate Info? Ballot?

Call 238-VOTE (8683)

www.co.travis.tx.us/county_clerk/election

**Keep our Neighborhood
Safe & Clean while you walk!**

Report Code Violations to 311

- Excessive Trash, Brush & Debris
- Illegal business operations
- Outdoor Music complaints

Info? www.austinrecycles.com/code.htm

Not sure? Want to help do a cleanup or try
alternate methods to a formal complaint?

Call Eastside Ranger Lori at 478-6770

or lorirenteria@grandecom.net

Ventanilla de Salud: Connections to Health!

410 Baylor Street, 78703, (512) 478-2866 ext 117
Visit 8-1pm or Call 8-5pm. Free and low-cost
health resources for those without access and/
or health insurance. All services are free and
open to everyone in the Latino community.

**FREE HEALTH SCREENINGS:
CALL FOR EXACT TIMES**

**Need help finding affordable
housing or help with landlord is-
sues? Contact the Austin Tenants'
Council at [http://www.housing-
rights.org](http://www.housing-rights.org)/ or call 474-1961 (Mon-
Fri 9am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 4 pm)**

Holly Neighborhood Update: The Holly Neighborhood Coalition (HNC) welcomes all neighbors, businesses and neighborhood groups to get involved. We meet the 3rd Tuesday each month at the Camacho Rec Center, 34 Robert T Martinez St from 6:30-8:30pm. ***The next Neighbors Helping Neighbors Workday is April 7th!*** Join us online at www.hollyneighborhood.org or <http://groups.google.com/group/holly-neighborhood-coalition> or call Elizabeth at 524-1098 or Ben at 663-5992.

Many thanks to [Trinsic Technologies, Inc.](#) for sponsoring our website

Festival Beach Community Garden Needs an Outreach Intern with close ties to our area!

A part-time intern position is available for the outreach program at Festival Beach Community Garden. We are seeking someone who lives or works in the neighborhood and has close ties with long-time families and local schools, churches, or civic organizations. The goal is to strengthen the neighborhood's connection with the garden by creating a program of classes and events that improves overall community health through gardening, healthy eating, and sharing local knowledge and resources. **Qualifications for the position include:** good communication skills; fluent in Spanish; experience working with low income and culturally diverse populations; good computer skills; a minimum of 3 years volunteer or work experience with an established school, church, or community organization; experience with community organizing and event planning preferred. If you are interested in the position, send a cover letter and resume to Kathy McWhorter at kmmewhorter@hotmail.com or call her at 512-478-9478.

Hope to see you in the garden soon! See our website at <http://festivalbeachgarden.org>. Contact Us/Contactos Para obtener más información, comuníquese con Farah al (512) 501-9853 o por email a farahriviera@yahoo.es or you can call (512) 508-8320 or send an email to info@festivalbeachgarden.org.



Helping the Aging, Needy and Disabled

1640B East 2nd Street #200 Austin Texas, 78702

512.477.3796 x 215 * www.handaustin.org

March 21st from 11:30 – 1pm "Supporting the Sandwich Generation" An off-site, free business seminar for business and HR professionals regarding the workplace impact of the aging population and how to support their staff who may be primary caregivers. Lunch provided, space is limited. RSVP to Deidre Honea at deidre@handaustin.org or call her at 512-477-3796 x 215.

April 27th from 1 – 4pm Free Health and Benefit Fair for the Austin community at HAND Headquarters. Our goal is to educate community members about services to help them to improve their health and quality of life. For many living in Austin, incomes are low and the challenges are high. Individuals are often unaware of the benefits that are available to them from local businesses, the government and non-profit agencies.

Treasure City Thrift

2142 E. 7th St. 78702

Mon - Sat 11am-6pm

Sun 12pm-6pm

(512) 524-2820

www.treasurecitythrift.org

25 cent sale!

Sat., March 24*11am - 5pm

Supporting local grassroots organizations, transforming waste into resources for our communities

Spring Break Filmmaking Day Camp by Lupe Arte for Students Grade 4th – 6th

Metz Rec. Center, 2407 Canterbury, 78702

Monday – Thursday, March 12-15, 2012, 11AM – 5:30 PM

Extended Care Available at Metz call 512-478-

8716. Students will learn the process of film

making, from a story idea through scriptwriting,

acting, film shooting, directing, set design, and

production. Students will work in front and be-

hind the camera. **Space for 25 Students –**

Sign Up at Metz Recreation. HURRY!

First come can sign up for free. Info? call

512 407-9911.

Teatro Vivo Presents:

2nd Annual Austin Latino New Play Festival

April 5-7th

8 pm each night

Mexican American

Cultural Center

600 River St.

FREE BUT YOU MUST

GET TICKETS IN AD-

VANCE

Hurry, call 512-413-6791, email

joannreyes@yahoo.com or visit

the website at www.teatrovivo.org



Calendar *Call 478-6770 or send your events to lorirenteria@grandecom.net*

- Mar 21 East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Team Meeting, 6-7:30 pm, TERRAZAS LIBRARY, 478-6770
 April 7 Holly Neighborhood Coalition, **Neighbors Helping Neighbors workday!** Call 814-404-1931
 April 12 Last Day to register to vote for City Council Elections, call 238-VOTE (8683)
 April 14 Historic Homes Tour, Volunteers needed! Call Amy at 499-0780 or mankin76@gmail.com
 April 18 East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Team Meeting, 6-7:30 pm, TERRAZAS LIBRARY, 478-6770

Please support those who advertise in our newsletter, their ads keep it free for all to see!

*Thanks to Cristina Valdes, REALTOR, for ongoing assistance
 with The Grapevine Newsletter and the ECC Facebook Page!*



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East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood selected by UT for Austin Historical Survey Wiki

People with historic connections to the East Cesar Chavez neighborhood are invited to try out a new on-line tool focused on historic places and the people who have lived, played or worked in our neighborhood. The Austin Historical Survey Wiki, which is being developed at the University of Texas at Austin, allows users to complete and share historical stories, photos and surveys. Historical surveys are a way to identify and re-search historic places. Wiki users can access an interactive map and search tools and share information, documents, and photos about historic places in East Austin. It's much like Wikipedia in that it supports people working together to share information on an open, publicly accessible website.



Some information about historic places in the East Cesar Chavez neighborhood has already been added to the Wiki. Join us to get a login and take the Wiki for a test drive. You will be able to add or edit information once you get a login. If you are unable to finish in one sitting, you can return to your entry as your time allows.

UT students School of Architecture's Community and Regional Planning Dept. set up laptops and showed us how to use the website on February 15th at Terrazas Library and about 20 people agreed to submit content. Some participants got their logins and were able to start adding to the site with their favorite places. Ongoing support for new users is just a phone call away. Please contact Jenni Minner, Project Manager, with questions at [512.906.5752](tel:512.906.5752) or email her at jminner@utexas.edu



Be a Part of History The Unveiling of Our Tejano Monument www.nosotroslostejanos.org

Join The Tejano Genealogy Society of Austin and Tejano Monument Committee to celebrate the first monument on Capitol grounds to recognize Tejano history.

Unveiling of the monument at State Capitol grounds

Thurs. March 29 at 10 AM * FREE

Texas Historical Sessions at State Capitol

Fri. March 30 from 9 AM – 3:15 PM * FREE

Celebration Banquet at UT Alumni Center

Fri. March 30 from 6:30 PM – 10 PM * \$100 each & up

Nosotros Los Tejanos Parade on Congress Avenue

Sat. March 31 from 9—10 AM * FREE

More Activities at the MACC, 600 River St.

Sat. March 31 from 11:15 AM to 4 PM * FREE

Info? Dan Arellano President Tejano Genealogy Society, call him at 512-826-7569 or email darellano@austin.rr.com



Cesar E. Chavez "Si Se Puede!" March and Rally - *Marcha y Celebracion* **Sat., March 31st**

**10AM – Assemble at Terrazas Library
1105 East Cesar Chavez St./Nos reuniremos en la biblioteca Terrazas**

10:30AM – March begins at Terrazas Library and ends at Austin City Hall - 301 W. Cesar Chavez/Marcharemos hacia City Hall

11AM – 1PM- Speakers, Poetry, Music and Dance at Austin City Hall/Invitados, poesia, musica, danza

For more information: PODER – 472-9921 o poder.austin@gmail.com

HONK TX! A FREE Festival of Music, Community & Public Spaces Coming to Austin: March 23, 24 and 25th

Family-friendly (for the most part) See <http://honktx.org> for more

If you were ever in a marching band or had one in your clan, this is a must-do event. Volunteers and Donors needed to house, transport, feed and support marching band members from other spaces and pitch in on logistics for this event. If you can gift, have any questions or concerns, just drop a line to honktxvolunteer@gmail.com

[We need Bicycles!](#) HONK!TX: FREE Festival of Community Street Bands returns to Austin March 23-25th, 2012. And what better way for HONK! musicians to hit the streets of Austin than...

[Help us build and repair yellow bikes for the musicians who are coming to Austin in March for HONK! TX!](#) Come by Austin Yellow Bike Project's Webberville shop to get bikes roadworthy for musicians who want to ride green during HONK!TX. After the festival, the bikes will...



An Austin Original!
[Minor Mishap Marching Band,](#)
[unruly circus-punk-brass band](#)

[Honk!TX Volunteer Form](#) Want to help make HONK!TX? Sign up to volunteer for an hour or all weekend!

We're back at East Austin Neighborhood Center at 211 Comal St. Drop in or call us at 972-6650 to get services or info.

- Fresh Food Distribution (for all in need)
- Nursing Services available (free blood pressure screening, cholesterol, blood sugar, etc.)
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ADS? COMMENTS? STORY IDEAS? Call Lori at 478-6770 or lorirenteria@grandecom.net

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Help spread the word that Capital Metro has evicted Lorelei Brown and is taking possession of the historic Texaco Warehouses at 1302 E. 4th St. We are not sure what the fate of the historic buildings will be but we need help lobbying the Cap Metro Board to save the buildings where they sit as part of the pocket park required for the redevelopment of the vacant 11 acres called the Saltillo Redevelopment Master Plan.

City Of Austin Summer Lifeguards Job Ops

The Austin Parks and Recreation Department Aquatics Division has started recruiting efforts to hire more than 600 temporary/seasonal employees to staff 50 Aquatic facilities, including Barton Springs Pool, for the Summer of 2012. Positions include lifeguards, swim instructors, and swim team coaches.

Applicants must be 15 years of age, or older. All applicants must register and pass an American Red Cross Lifeguard Training course provided by the Aquatic Division.

Applicants interested in the position are asked to visit www.lifeguardaustin.com. For additional information, please call 974-9332.

More March Madness!

Star of Texas Fair and Rodeo

Mar 9-24 at Travis County Expo
www.rodeoaustin.com or 919-3000

85th Texas Relays at UT Campus

Mar 28-31, see www.texassports.com
 (800) 687-8379 (recorded information)

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Mar 30-31 Auditorium Shores
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