





River Place MUD Newsletter

January 2017

Certificates of Appreciation for Community Service



Bailey Ohlson Earns her Gold Award

The Board of Directors presented Bailey Ohlson with a Certification of Appreciation for her erosion prevention work on the hiking trails. She received her Girl Scout Gold Star in November 2016.



Thank you Ken Bartlett

The Board of Directors presented Ken Bartlett with a Certificate of Appreciation for his 19 years of service as a MUD board member. His dedication and commitment to the community over his tenure is truly appreciated.

Our Newest Eagle Scout Project



Alex Morman, a scout working towards his Eagle Scout ranking, gathered a group of trail volunteers in River Place on Saturday, December 10th, 2016. The project went well with the group working from 9:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. on the muddy parts of the trail, putting in large stones at stream crossings and along the muddiest parts of the upper trail. Be sure to look for these changes the next time you are out hiking!

Thank you Alex and all the volunteers that helped enhance our already beautiful trail!

Change is Coming-Panther Hollow Renovation



You may have noticed the shoreline has been eroding due to swift water currents and waves hitting the shore banks. In order to save this land near the shore, the Board approved the planting of aquatic plants in front of the eroded shoreline. The work will begin as soon as the water returns to the lake.

Boardwalk Pond Clean-up has been completed

Several months ago, the water in the pond was lowered to remove weed growth, brush and debris along the banks of the pond. The storm drain that allows rain water to flow into Lake Austin was also cleared. An added benefit of the cleanup is a more manicured look when walking along the boardwalk to hike the lower trail head or just enjoy the view.



Board Meetings

4th Tuesday of the Month • 2:00pm • River Place Country Club • 4207 River Place Boulevard
All homeowners, residents and interested parties are cordially invited to attend. Meeting dates and agendas are posted on the bulletin board in the pavilion at Sun Tree Park and the Travis County Courthouse.



Closure of River Place Fields

The River Place MUD is responsible for the maintenance and operations of the parks and trails in River Place. Our goal is to maintain the condition of the parks, athletic fields and nature trails at a level of quality to ensure both the safety and enjoyment of our residents. Our fields receive a tremendous amount of activity throughout the year. In order for us to maintain them at a level we feel our residents deserve requires us to close them from time to time. These closures can be a result of routine maintenance (chemical applications, overseeding or topdressing) or inclement weather. We strive to keep the closures to a minimum, but maintaining the integrity of the fields is something we must consider.

Some residents voiced their disapproval with the fields being closed over the Thanksgiving weekend. On Thanksgiving Day the main Suntree Park field was open for a portion of the day. The field received a tremendous amount of play in a short period of time, coupling this with the fact that the field had recently been overseeded and irrigated cause us to shut the field down for the remainder of the holiday weekend. The field near the water tower was damaged as a result of someone driving an ATV on the field. The large Woodlands field incurred damages when a group played on the field during wet conditions. The three smaller fields at Woodlands Park were open during the Thanksgiving weekend.

Please accept our apology if you have been inconvenienced by the closure of the fields. We will post field closures on the District website. Go to www.riverplaceMUD.org.

The MUD will pay \$1500 to anyone providing information that leads to the apprehension and conviction of persons causing damage to MUD property. Persons causing damage to the District property will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. To report such activity, please call the Travis County Sheriff's (512) 974-0845, Option 3.



Progressive Waste Solutions merged with Waste Connections

Progressive Waste Solutions recently merged with Waste Connections. Their name changed, but they are still the same local staff that have been providing solid waste and recycling services in the District.

As a result of the merge Waste Connection began using a more automated type of vehicle to collect recycling waste. The trucks have an automated side loader. Using a robot arm to collect the recyclables is much safer than having personnel exposed to traffic.

Contact Severn Trent at 512-216-0498 if you have any questions or send an email to Garbage-Recycling@STServices.com

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