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**CORONADO HILLS/CREEKSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION** to ensure the safety of residents—to preserve the integrity of the neighborhood—to increase the value of homeowner property

# Will You Stand By & Let YOUR Neighborhood Go?

Did you know that the highly touted massive numbers of increased population are not all Austin newcomers? MANY ARE ANNEXED areas that already have housing and established neighborhoods. However, we are told we need to DENSIFY to accommodate ALL the increased population. We need all of us to work together to help each other maintain our residential neighborhood.

We are a wonderfully culturally diverse residential neighborhood. But it won't stay that way! City planning department in consort with developers and a consultant paid for by our tax dollars are hard at work to destroy the fabric of urban core neighborhoods like ours.

Increased density is their mantra at whatever cost to neighborhood integrity. *Did you know that our neighborhood of 0.551 sq. miles has* 1,467 housing units?

We have some problems in our neighborhood including: unscrupulous people who buy a house, fill it with many unrelated people—some housed in the garage. If you think our neighborhood will stay the same safe residential area, you may be in for an unpleasant surprise! **It is up to us** to maintain our core mission to keep the neighborhood safe, a pleasant place to live, and maintain property values.

### **Meeting Location**

St. George's Court Clubhouse 1443 Coronado Hills Dr.

The meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. Parking is available. *Thank you to St. Georges Court for providing the great meeting location.* 

**Meeting Schedule** February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – 6:30 p.m. March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.

### Annual Association Fund

Our neighborhood association also needs your financial support. We ask for annual dues of \$12.00 per household. Our treasury monies are spent for neighborhood fees for things like postage, mailbox, occasional lawyer or other fees, and other neighborhood related activities. Please bring or mail a check to any board member. **Thank you!** 

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Every time residents get careless: park their car on the grass, allow a car, boat or trailer parked on a driveway or street month after month, ignore a house with too many unrelated residents and multiple cars parked on the street, loud music from parties into the late evening then erosion occurs.

All of a sudden we wake up to a very different neighborhood that we let slide into disrepair. Help one another! Follow the rules. **It is up to you!** When problems persist, report to Code Enforcement or APD.

Do you know what an ADU is? Additional Dwelling Units are VERY SMALL buildings that some would like built EVERYWHERE in Austin. Imagine sitting on your patio in your backyard while next door people come and go from their backyard ADU to the street where their cars are parked day and night between your houses, or have a party with music late into the night. In addition, your property taxes increase since the neighbor now has an *income residence* and their taxes have increased.

## Happy St. Patrick's Day! Combined Meeting: Tuesday, March 17 Contact Team Neighborhood Association Begins This Month 6 p.m.

In order to save you going to meetings and more meetings, we are combining Contact Team meetings and Echoestimm the little

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our Neighborhood Association meetings several times a year as a trial this coming year. You can get updates and participate in two organizations at one meeting.

# CONTACT TEAM UPDATE

Come, join us: homeowners, renters, businesses—you are welcome to provide input regarding the future of our neighborhood. We plan to hold a half hour meeting before the neighborhood meeting March 17 at St. George's Court. The Contact Team meeting will last from 6:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

The purposes of the meetings are:

- 1. Inform and get input from current members and enlist new members so they will be eligible to vote at a future meeting May 19.
- 2. Schedule items for the May 19 agenda. Items for the May 19 agenda may include revisions to By-laws, forming committees to evaluate priorities of the current neighborhood plan and discussion of pro-active projects such as code compliance violations and the possibility of a new park on the vacant land next to the EMS station at Berkman and St. John.

## Reminders for 2015: Part 2

- 1. Attend monthly meetings. This is THE MOST IMPORTANT thing you can do. Please support the Board of Directors, in their current work to maintain this neighborhood. They are volunteers who give many hours of time and effort for the benefit of over 200 single family homes and two condo developments. The meetings will keep you informed about current issues facing our Coronado Hills/Creekside neighborhood.
- 2. Support your Neighborhood Assn., by sending an annual donation of \$12.00 to the Treasurer.\*\* Special thanks to those who sent in their donation since last newsletter.
- 3. "Ensuring the Safety of Residents", is one of our Mission Statements. To help do that:
  - Lock fence gates and storage sheds; Keep garage doors closed and locked, even when you're at home.
  - Make sure your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms are in working order.

- Stop newspaper delivery and put a hold on your mail when you're going to be away from home. Know neighbors who can provide extra eyes on your property.
- Do not hesitate to report any suspicious person, car, or activity immediately to 911, so APD can investigate promptly.
- For other APD help, contact our District Representative, Officer James Scoggins, at 512-974-8393 or by email, address listed in Who's Who box, in every Newsletter.
- Keep trash and recycling bins out of sight, to promote a neat and attractive street appearance. Please don't put bins at curb until late Wednesday mornings for Thursday pickup. Putting it out before then can be a safety hazard and is unsightly.
- \*\* Treasurer: Bonnie Turek, 7305 Berkman Dr., or drop your envelope in her garage door mail slots. Thank you.