

Terrell Hills Connection

CITY OF TERRELL HILLS – JUNE 2011

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STATE OF THE CITY

Mark Browne has left as the Terrell Hills City Manager to become the City Manager of Alamo Heights. The Terrell Hills staff and City Council wish Mark well. The City Council is pleased to announce that Columbus Stutes is now our Interim City Manager. Columbus was our Assistant City Manager / Fire Chief and has been with the City over 33 years. Columbus brings a tremendous amount of experience and a history of Terrell Hills to his new job.

Summer time is here, but the City of Terrell Hills is busier than ever with a number of projects. Our architects, OCO and Mitchell Construction Company, our Construction Manager at Risk, are diligently designing our City Hall complex. The staff is currently making arrangements for temporary offices during construction which should begin by August 15, 2011. Freese and Nichols have been hired to engineer and design the work to be done on the remaining portion of Garraty Road, all of Terrell Road, the east portion of Geneseo and Newbury Terrace. Once the road construction documents are complete the project will then be put out to bid with construction starting soon thereafter. I want to thank you for your patience during all of our construction projects.

Another great July 4th Parade and party are being planned. The Parade / party is such a great event for our community where creative floats, cars, bikes and you name it are decorated by our residents. Come celebrate our freedom and independence at the Terrell Hills July 4th Parade which starts at 10:00 a.m., Monday, July 4th. Hope to see you there!

*J. Bradford Camp, Mayor
City of Terrell Hills*

FROM THE CITY MANAGER'S DESK...

The City would like to recognize the following new employees and promotions in the City over the last six months.

Police Department:

Promoted to Police Officer II: **GABRIEL ORTIZ**
Promoted to Police Officer II: **JOSEPH TODD**
New Employee, Police Sergeant: **ROBERT HARDEMAN**

Fire Department:

Promoted to Deputy Fire Chief: **WILLIAM KNUPP**
Promoted to Deputy Fire Chief: **JUSTIN SEIBERT**
Promoted to Fire Captain: **CODY ASHLEY**
Promoted to Firefighter II: **JAMES LEOS**
Promoted to Firefighter II: **MARTIN GRAHAM**
New Employee, Firefighter I: **MATTHEW TANZER**

Exemplary Employees of the Fourth Quarter 2010 and First Quarter 2011

Fourth Quarter: Executive Secretary Kristine Sanchez

First Quarter: Fire Lieutenant Cody Ashley



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Road Project Update

Seford/Arvin/Bryker/Edsel/Crestwood/ and portions of Tuttle and Elizabeth have been completed. Garraty Road from Harry Wurzbach to Nadine is currently under construction. This area is a full depth rebuild, so all of the material is being removed and replaced with appropriate base. We expect the contractor to complete this area by late August if the weather cooperates. The remainder of Garraty, Terrell, a portion of Geneseo and a portion of Newbury Terrace is currently under design. SAWS should complete their water main replacements by late fall 2011 and we hope to have our contracts ready shortly afterward.

City Hall Update

We are currently completing the plans and cost estimates for the City Hall renovations and additions. The City has selected G. W. Mitchell Construction for the project and they hope to start utility and ground work in early June. During the construction, we will move to a temporary office building at the rear of the property near the Street and Sanitation Department.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the community and for your patience during these projects.

Columbus Stutes, Interim City Manager
cstutes@terrell-hills.com

FROM THE DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF'S DESK

Spring is almost over and summertime heat is just around the corner. With now being the perfect time to cook outdoors, the Fire Department would like to provide some tips for the safe use of your BBQ pits. We recommend that all of your outdoor cooking be conducted at least 10 feet away from any type of combustible building construction. This means keeping the BBQ pit away from your house in a clear and open area. Never use a BBQ pit on or near a wooden deck. This includes wood/charcoal burning equipment as well as those fueled by propane.

Always allow plenty of time for your ashes to cool prior to placing them in the trash. Ashes should be stored in a metal can and allowed to cool for up to a week prior to disposing of them in your household trash.

The Forth of July is also approaching which to many people means using fireworks. As a reminder, the use of and possession of any type of firework is prohibited inside the city limits of Terrell Hills. We recommend you enjoy one of the many professional firework shows conducted in the San Antonio area.

Your Fire Department always has fire prevention on our minds and we would love to come by your home to conduct an in-home fire safety survey. This service is free of charge and is designed to point out any fire hazards you may not notice in your day to day lives. To schedule an appointment, please give us a call or stop by the fire station.

The Fire Department wishes you a safe and joy filled summer.

FROM THE POLICE CHIEF'S DESK

Summer time is here again and I hope it's a safe one. We haven't had much rain and stage 1 watering restrictions are in effect. By the time you read this letter it is very likely that stage 2 restrictions may be in effect. Please visit www.Terrell-Hills.com to stay up to date on the current restrictions.

Summer and vacations go hand in hand, so please fill out an "out of Town" form to let your police department know when you will be away. We will make sure that an officer checks your home daily. This form can be found on the website and can be mailed, e-mailed or brought by in person.



The second annual St. David's School Bike Rodeo was held on May 18th and was sponsored by the police department. Congratulations go out to Frederick Labatt, Hugh Stone, Hannah Corzo and Maddy Huff. These young people were the grand prize winners and each received a gift card for a new bicycle. These gift cards were graciously donated by residents of Terrell Hills. The police officers and fire fighters had a blast spending their morning with the students of St. David's School.

I wanted to let everyone know how much I enjoyed getting to talk to all of you at the City Manager's second annual 5k fun run. Every time I attend one of these events I come away with such helpful suggestions for the police department from our residents. I am especially looking forward to getting together again for our July 4th parade. All of your police officers will be at the parade, so please take the opportunity to come by our booth and meet them.

In closing I would like remind all citizens to report any suspicious activity immediately! Try to get a description of the person or persons, vehicles, and relay that information to the dispatcher at 911 for emergencies and 824-1009 for non-emergencies. On behalf of the Terrell Hills Police Department, I wish everyone a safe and happy summer. Thank you for your continued support!

Greg Whitlock, Chief of Police

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"Service isn't something we just provide, it's the reason we exist"

ALLEY ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

Our City has maintained our ally system in a usable manner. There is no need for us to continue the association. We have closed our bank account of \$4000.00 and have a cashier's check made out to the city. It is designated for use as a welcome sign to our city across from City Hall. Any questions, please call Secretary Fred Plank at 826-4284.

Mary Louise Ford, President

Rena DuBose, Treasurer

Fred Plank, Secretary

“SPRING INTO SUMMER” WAS FUN FOR ALL!

Thanks to the multitude of Terrell Hills citizens that supported our spring fundraiser on April 9, the Terrell Hills Playground Association has been able to make impressive improvements to the playground! The primary sponsors of the movie night in the park were HEB and Wave Healthcare. The number of volunteers that helped put on the fundraiser is too large to list here – thanks for the fantastic outpouring of generosity, Terrell Hills!

RECENT IMPROVEMENTS

Thanks to a tremendous donation from Grande Communications, we recently replaced the water fountain in the playground with a new handicap accessible model and platform. The new fountain, with two faucet heights, should make playing in the park during those warm summer evenings a little more bearable. In addition, Roark Word recently planned and executed the installation of the new merry-go-round as part of his Eagle Scout project – if you know Roark, thank him for his hard work! The merry-go-round was funded in part by the “Spring into Summer” fundraiser. We also replaced all of the swings on the swingset – hopefully, the new swings will last for years. In addition, we recently installed the final section of toddler safety fence along Crestwood Drive, making the playground a little safer for the smallest Terrell Hills citizens. Finally, Scott Combs treated all of the wooden structures in the playground, extending their use for years to come. As always, the grounds have been well maintained by Jimmy Phelps and the City crew. Come by and take a look at your community supported playground!

A NOTE ABOUT THE TERRELL HILLS PLAYGROUND ASSOCIATION

The Terrell Hills Playground Association was formed in 1995 to develop the park on land owned by the City of Terrell Hills. Donations are always appreciated and are tax-deductible (the Playground Association is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization). You can now donate or contact the playground association at: www.terrellhillspa.org. If you’re not comfortable with web donations, you can also donate by writing a check payable to the Terrell Hills Playground Association and mailing your donation to Ben Surplus, 200 Arvin Drive, 78209. If you are able to help in any capacity, from weeding mulch to planning fundraisers, or if you have any questions about the park, please contact the Playground Association at terrellhillspa@gmail.com or by calling either Ben Surplus (347 – 2311) or Elizabeth Lane (822-7022).



FOURTH OF JULY PARADE!

Don't forget that when you start planning your Fourth of July plans this year to include the biggest neighborhood party of the year: The Terrell Hills Fourth of July Parade and City Party. This free-event will take place this year on Monday, July 4th at 10 am and will begin with a parade led by the Terrell Hills Fire Truck and followed by multiple creatively designed floats, classic cars, decorated cars, and hundreds of children and tots on decorated bikes, wagons and strollers, not to mention the assortment of dog breeds big and small, proudly sporting patriotic ribbons. After the parade, please stay around and join in on the many games, activities, free food and beverages.

We are able to have this festive party every year because the generosity of our community. It would not be possible without the support of our neighbors as well as the local businesses. We are still in need of sponsors, volunteers and baked goods. Please contact Maighdlin Conway (210) 320-3245 or Juli Blanda (210) 320-3240 for more information.

Parade: Ivy Road/Eldon
Registration: 9:30am
Start: 10am

Party: Geneseo Esplanade
10am-Noon

For more information on the parade and party please contact:

Juli Blanda (210)-320-3240; juli.blanda@mygrande.com

Maighdlin Conway (210) 320-3245; Maighdlin.conway@mygrande.com

STREET & SANITATION DEPARTMENT

The Street and Sanitation Department offers the service of picking up trash cans where residents store them. That means we will pick them up at your garage or service area if you desire. Please contact Jimmy Phelps at City Hall (824-7401) if you would like to take advantage of this service.

We encourage residents to wait until weekdays to place leaf bags curbside. Working together for the beautification of our streetscape benefits all Terrell Hills' residents and visitors.

RECYCLING INFORMATION

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

Newspaper, magazines, paperboard boxes (such as cereal boxes), mail, junk mail, office paper, phone books, paperback books, cardboard (must be flattened)

Food and beverage cans made of tin, aluminum, steel (should be rinsed). Unbroken, rinsed food and beverage containers that are clear, brown or green in color. Plastic containers with #1 through #6 recycling symbol on the container, such as milk, detergent, soft drink, juice, water, shampoo, liquid soap bottles (should be rinsed).

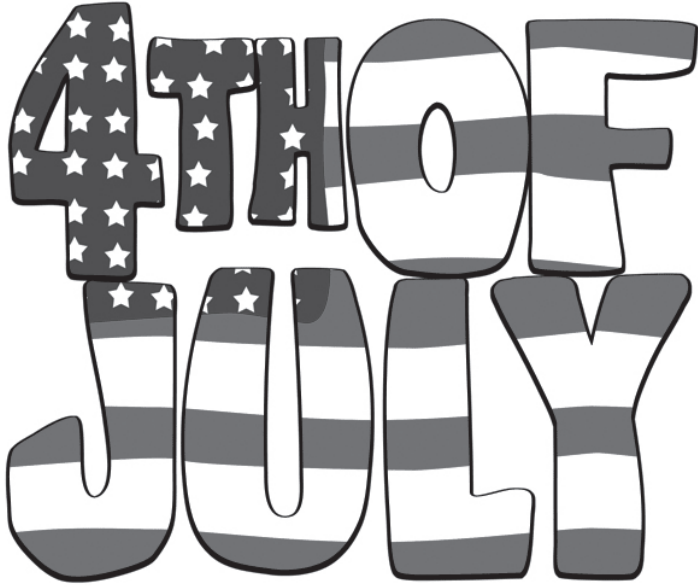
UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

Household trash	Hard cover books
Aluminum foil	Light bulbs
Auto/window glass	Waxed milk and juice cartons
Ceramics: china/dishes	No Styrofoam of any kind (cups, plates, food containers)
Batteries of any kind	Peanuts or packaging containers that held such materials
Yard Waste	Plastic toys, bags, dishes, et cetera
Wire Clothes hangers	

Plastic, glass or metal containers that held Hazardous materials such as Paint, pesticide or insecticide

NOTE: There is NO recycling in weeks that contain a holiday.

SCHEDULE OF CITY HOLIDAYS



- Independence Day.....July 4, 2011
- Labor Day.....September 5, 2011
- Veteran’s Day.....November 11, 2011*
- Thanksgiving Day.....November 24-25, 2011**
- Christmas Day.....December 26, 2011
- New Years Day.....January 2, 2012
- President’s Day.....February 20, 2012
- Good Friday.....April 6, 2012
- Memorial Day.....May 28, 2012

* Garbage will be picked up on Veteran’s Day, November 11, 2011

**GARBAGE PICK-UP FOR THANKSGIVING WEEK IS ON WEDNESDAY FOR ALL GARBAGE ROUTES IN TERRELL HILLS

IF YOUR NORMAL GARBAGE PICK-UP IS: MONDAY & THURSDAY

Your Holiday Schedule Is:

Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Holiday	Holiday	Holiday	Holiday	Holiday
Tue-Thu	Mon-Thu	Mon-Thu	Mon-Wed	Mon-Wed

IF YOUR NORMAL GARBAGE PICK-UP IS: TUESDAY & FRIDAY

Your Holiday Schedule Is:

Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Holiday	Holiday	Holiday	Holiday	Holiday
Wed-Fri	Wed-Fri	Tue-Fri	Tue-Fri	Tue-Thu

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