



WootenNews

A newsletter serving the Wooten community

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Next WNA meeting

Monday, July 13 7:00pm
Redeemer Lutheran Church
150 W. Anderson @ Burrell

Letter from the president

Welcome to the first edition of the quarterly Wooten Neighborhood Association newsletter, which joins our regular general meetings and online newsgroup as ways to keep you informed about and involved in our community.

Your neighborhood association needs you.

Help empower our group to engage with civic leaders—the mayor, city council, police and parks departments—and build partnerships to communicate our concerns, opinions, and ideas about important issues such as growth, crime and code enforcement.

You can volunteer for community events:

- **Wooten Park improvements** in partnership with Texas Action for Healthy Kids and AISD. Stage 1 will include trail excavation, raised beds and gardens, water containment and a windmill project funded by 3M.
- The 2nd annual **BooFest** in October—a great, fun way to meet your neighbors and support WNA and our local vendors.

- **Officer-elections** nominating committee (call for volunteers at our July meeting for September elections) and bylaws updates.

Get involved! e-mail president@wootenna.com.

As your neighborhood association president, I ask two things of you:

- **Join us at our regular meetings**
The second Monday of every odd month. The next General Meeting will be held on Monday, July 13, at 7:00 p.m. at Redeemer Lutheran Church cafeteria at 150 W. Anderson Lane. The parking entrance is on Burrell Dr.
- **Sign up for our newsgroup:**
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/wootenna/>
Join your neighbors to stay informed and discuss topics from crime incidents to new local businesses to garage sales. With your help, we can build a stronger, safer neighborhood.

Sincerely,
Adam Turner, WNA President

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Make it another great year for BooFest

Our family-friendly BooFest will return in October. You can help by volunteering as we coordinate events, donations and logistics: e-mail president@wootenna.com. It won't be the same without you!

North Village Library reopens

Your new library, 2505 Steck near Burnet, opened May 30 with a large selection of books, DVDs, CDs, and magazines, and 14 public computers.

The "green" building has specially designed sections and programs for children and teens, and a meeting room.

All it takes is one form of ID to get a library card. Check it out!

- 10:00am - 9:00pm M-W
- 10:00am - 6:00pm Fri
- 10:00am - 5:00pm Sat
- Closed Thurs and Sun

June 9 Commander's Forum report

Budget cuts mean that staffing is down here in Central West so it's more important than ever to stay on top of crime ourselves.

Burglary, especially of cars and their contents, account for over 60% of all reported crime. In addition to locking your car:

- Make sure nothing of value is visible, even loose change.
- If you lock up your GPS system or take it with you when you leave, wipe off its suction cup mark on the window or dash to remove evidence of it.

More neighborhood safety tips:

- Know your neighbors and tell them your whereabouts.
- Note unknown people and cars (license plate numbers and personal details from the head on down).
- Know your property—take photos and mark property with your license number or a personal symbol for

identification and recovery.

- Use 311 and 911 systems to report crimes or code breakers—this also helps in future planning for staffing.
- Stay informed about safety and crime issues—**join the Central West newsgroup** at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/centralwestdr/>

The next Forum will be Tuesday, Sept. 15, 6.30-8:30 at McCallum High School.

Fourth of July Parade

The North Shoal Creek NA invites our neighborhood to attend their July 4 parade, 9:30am-11:30am at Pillow Elementary School.

Burnet MS principal

Dr. Antonio Medina is leaving his position as principal of Burnet Middle School for family reasons. The school board will name his replacement soon.



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