



The Overlook Outlook

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Walk-Through Gate Repaired

The walk-through gate at the entry was repaired by Tex-Door, and a new lock was installed. The combination for the new lock is "4-1-5." The Overlook appreciates Mark Pistorio, our community volunteer for gate maintenance, for his efforts in getting this matter resolved.



The Overlook Outlook Delivery Crew!

(Back row, left to right): Samantha Stahl, Susan Stahl, Johnathan Stahl (in backpack), Joe Stahl, Bailey Kennedy, Samantha Kennedy, Georg'a Walsh holding Erynn Kennedy

(Front row, left to right): Joey Stahl (in stroller), Emmie Walsh (in second stroller), Grayson Walsh, and Kyle Heffron

Rodeo Comes to Town

The San Antonio Rodeo and Stock Show is set for February 2-17th at the Freeman Coliseum. The star line-up this year includes *George Jones, Blake Shelton, Ramon Ayala, LeeAnn Womack, Lonestar, Toby Keith, Alabama, Rober Earl Keen, Chris Cagle and Rascal Flatts, Terri Clark, Jay Perez, Grupo Vida, Neal McCoy, Alan Jackson, Clay Walker, Jo Dee Messina, and Martina McBride*, as well as a special "Evening of Remembrance" with special guest stars including *Asleep at the Wheel and Lee Greenwood*. Tickets went on sale December 8, and are available at Ticketmaster.com.

The rodeo also boasts thrilling carnival rides, including The midway schedule is as follows: Mondays through Fridays*: 3 pm – closing * (Friday, February 15th -- 1pm - closing), Saturdays & Sundays: 11 am – closing, The Carnival also offers several promotions, including the Cliff Hanger, Power Surge, Giant Wheel and the Space Loop. For families, the "Li'l Partner Land" is designed specifically to meet the needs of parents and their children with more children's rides than ever before.

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YARD OF THE
MONTH

**Dan & Kristen
Smith**

631 Walder Trail

CONGRATULATIONS!!



- Feb 1 @ Miami
6:30 pm
- Feb 3 @ Orlando
1:30 pm
- Feb 4 Minnesota
7:30 pm
- Feb 7 @ Toronto 7pm
- Feb 12 @ Sacramento
9:30 pm
- Feb 14 @ L.A. Clippers
9:30 pm
- Feb 15 @ Golden State
9:30 pm
- Feb 19 Memphis
7:30 pm
- Feb 21 Sacramento
8:00 pm
- Feb 23 Minnesota
7:30 pm
- Feb 24 @ Phoenix 7pm
- Feb 26 Phoenix
7:30 pm
- Feb 28 @ Cleveland
6pm



- Feb 3 All-Star game @
Los Angeles
- Feb 6 @ Nashville 7pm
- Feb 8 Edmonton
7:30 p.m.
- Feb 10 @ Anaheim 7pm
- Feb 11 @ Los Angeles
9:30 p.m.
- Feb 13 N.Y. Rangers
7:30 p.m.
- Feb 26 @ Phoenix
8:30 p.m.
- Feb 28 @ Vancouver
9pm

Social Committee Update

Ladies night out will be dinner at Boccone's on Thursday, February 21st. We will have cocktails at 6:30pm and dinner at 7. The address is 17776 Blanco. Thanks to Valkyrie Meek for making the arrangements. Please call Valkyrie at 497-2812 to rsvp. We will need to have a count for Boccones to seat us. Valkyrie is also looking into some other ideas for future ladies nights out. If you have any ideas, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the social committee.

Do you like to read? Have you read a book lately that was so good that you would like to recommend it to someone else? Would you be interested in joining a neighborhood book club? Please send an email to Lori Tomkewitz at ltomkewi@duncanlaw.com if you are interested in joining.

We are talking with the Forrest and potentially other nearby neighborhoods about a garage sale the first weekend of April. If you know of any date conflicts, please contact Nancy Townsend at 481-7421. Anyone interested in heading the sale for the neighborhood should contact Nancy. It would be a minimal amount of work.

Nancy Thomson of Walder Trail has graciously offered to be head of the pool party for this spring. She is potentially looking at the date of Saturday, June 1. She will need lots of help on committees for set-up,

Rodeo Continued.

The carnival hours are Mondays through Fridays*: 3pm - closing * (Friday, February 15th -- 1pm - closing), and Saturdays & Sundays: 11 am – closing. The carnival is also offering several promotions, including:

TEN FOR \$10

Sunday, Feb. 3rd: 6pm- 12am
Ride 10 rides for \$10

Dollar Day

Friday, Feb. 15th: 1pm – closing
Grounds admission \$1.00
All rides \$1.00

LAST BLAST/ TEN FOR \$10

Sunday, Feb. 16th: 6pm - closing
Ride 10 rides for \$10

The Rodeo is also offering an all-new 15-acre paved, lighted and secured parking lot on Gembler Road. Visitors can exit Coliseum Road and take a left on Gembler to the parking area (its immediately on the right).

The SBC Rodeo Shuttle will run from Gembler Road continuously throughout the 16 days of the rodeo offering visitors a pain free way to attend the 2002 San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo. All motor coaches will be air-conditioned and heated. Cost of parking for the rodeo is \$5 and the shuttle is FREE!

You can learn more by checking out the rodeo's website, at www.sarodeo.com.

STEP INTO DECORATING

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Feng Shui (pronounced “Fung Shway”) is often described as the Chinese art of placement. This ancient Chinese philosophy can be used to design spaces within the home. The term translates to wind and water.

Feng Shui explains the dialogue enacted every day between you and your living space. While in Interior Design and Architecture are concerned with aesthetics, feng shui focuses on how an environment is experienced by the people who inhabit it. Improving the flow of energy in the environment, improves the flow of energy in the human being. Creating a nurturing environment with as much high quality energy (chi) is our goal as designers. Chi is the life force energy that suffuses all things. It’s in everything, everything is composed of chi, and therefore, chi connects

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everything and everyone. The better the quality of chi coursing through a thing, the healthier, more vibrant, or more beautiful that thing is. When our bodies experience low chi or blocked chi, we experience fatigue or develop health problems.

Feng Shui philosophy references nine different aspects of life: wealth, health, fame, partnership, children, helpful people, career, knowledge and family. Each one of these has a corresponding physical space within any environment, including a house, a specific room within a house, an office, a lot, a table and so on. If there is a change made to the physical space, then there will be a change ---good or bad---in the corresponding life aspect.



Create harmony and direct chi.
Mirror – create the illusion of light and space.
Water – views, fountains, streams and aquariums bring good chi into a room.
Color – Red activates any area, Yellow represents longevity and green symbolizes growth.
Plants – Where a plant thrives, so will the occupants of the house.
Wind Chimes – Sound is an uplifting source and they moderate energy flow.

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Furniture arrangement – Arrange furniture so that people can sit with a windowless wall behind them for support and protection. Allow spaces in rooms; do not stuff with furniture and things. Chi needs to circulate within the room

Start today:

- Clean and declutter every part of your environment.
- Take care of maintenance issues
- Take care of yard work
- Make sure your foyer or front entry is inviting
- Add enhancements
- Remove dead plants

Yin and Yang are terms you probably have heard before in connection with Chinese culture. They are opposites. Yin is symbolized by feminine, cool, dark, soft, rounded, earth, moon, small, ornate, wide, horizontal and floral images. Yang is symbolized by the opposites: masculine, warm, light, hard, angular, sky, sun, large, plain, narrow, vertical and geometrical. A comfortable mix in the environment is what we strive for in design.

With the basic concepts of chi, the elements and yin and yang you can begin to study your environments.

Enjoy your creation of good chi, And remember

Your Home is Your Castle

*Mary Lozano-Jenkins
Registered Interior Designer
The Jenkins Interior Design Group, Inc.
Interior Arranger*

Board Updates

At printing time, the board had not yet met again. However, there are a few updates to share.

The Overlook HOA has officially been entered into the city's database and will be mapped soon.

The Overlook HOA has officially signed with Professional Management Properties of Texas. A new contact person, phone number, etc., will be coming soon!

The board has been in constant contact with the engineers regarding the narrowing of the medians on Walder Trail. The board appreciates the continued assistance of Mr. Jim O'Brien to get these matters resolved.

Forwarding address for
Dennis & Mina Brown:

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♥Godspeed! You will
be missed!♥

MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS



The Stahl Family

Meet the Stahl family: Joe, Susan, Joey (4), Samantha (2 ½), Johnathan (1), and baby # 4 due in April. The Stahl family have lived at 707 Walder Trail since March 1999. Joe and Susan have been married for seven years this past November 5th. They met in Del Rio, TX, at Susan's oldest brother's pilot training graduation ceremony. (Susan says she had to make the first move!!) Joe graduated from Notre Dame, with a degree in political science. He flies for American Airlines and the Air Force Reserves at Randolph Air Force Base. Susan graduated from Texas Christian University with a degree in Nutrition and worked as a Registered Dietician until the kids came along. She is now a full time mom. Susan and the kids go to storytime each week at the library. The entire family spends Friday mornings at the Holy Spirit Catholic Church for scripture study and fun in the nursery. The Stahls can often be seen taking long walks together, earning them the affectionate nickname of "the Family Von-Stahl" from their friends and neighbors!

Social Committee Update Continued.

serving, children's entertainment and clean up. Please contact Nancy if you are interested in helping out. We still need to clear the date, so if you know of any conflicts, please call Nancy Thomson at 481-7119.

The first neighborhood bunko party was held at Lisa Stone's home on January 14th. Thank you Lisa for hosting a delightful evening and for all the delicious food. Everyone had a great time. I especially enjoyed meeting two ladies from Walder Trail that I had never met. Attendees voted that each attendee will put \$5 in the kitty and monetary prizes will be awarded for most wins, most bunkos, last bunko and most losses. The hostess will supply dessert and participants will help with drinks. We will start at 7 pm with a social half hour and then begin the game at 7:30 pm. RSVP'S are very important, so that we have enough participants to play.

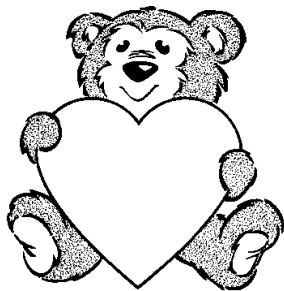
The next bunko party will be Tuesday, February 26th at Tina Harper's house. Her address is 421 Texas Point. Please call Nancy Townsend if you would like to be added to the bunko list. Half the ladies did not have previous experience last month and had no trouble learning the game. (In fact, Sarah Galvin became a master in minutes.) If you are already on the list, please call Nancy to let her know whether you will be able to attend on the 12th.

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School Calendar

- Feb. 6th Early Dismissal
- Feb. 11th School Board Meeting
- Feb. 14th End of Grading Period
- Feb. 15th Student Holiday
- Feb. 18th Student and Staff Holiday
- Feb. 19th Beginning of Grading Period



Valentine's Day Word Search

(Hint: Think "perfume")
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Be sweet to your neighbors...

Clean up after your dog when in other people's yards or common areas.

Keep our neighborhood beautiful!

Recipe of the Month

MISSISSIPPI SALAD

- 1 cup ramen soup noodles
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 4 tbsps butter (Not margarine)

- 1 bunch broccoli pieces
- 1 head Romaine lettuce
- 4 green onions

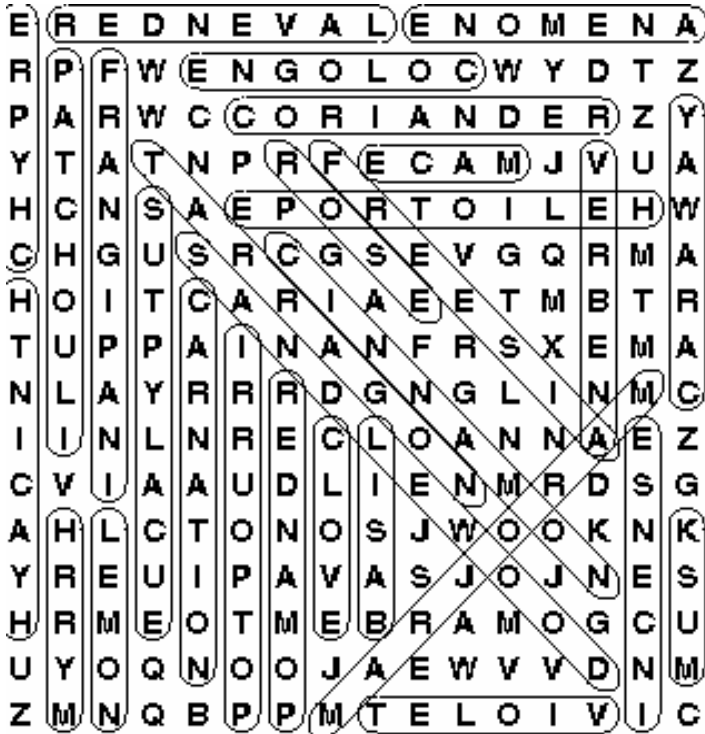
Break noodles into small pieces. Brown noodles and pecans in butter. Drain on paper towels. Cut broccoli in small pieces and toss with lettuce and onions.

Dressing: 1/2 cup oil
1/4 cup sugar
1/4 cup red wine vinegar
1 1/2 tsp soy sauce
salt & pepper to taste

Mix well and refrigerate until ready to serve. Pour over salad and toss.

Contributed by Samantha Kennedy

Valentine's Day Word Search Answers



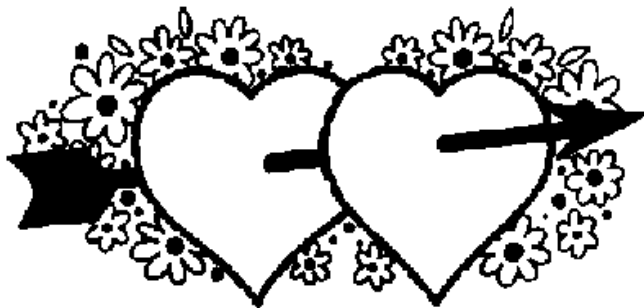
Social Committee Update Continued.

We will go in the order that the RSVPs are received to fill three or four tables

At the time this hot little neighborhood newsletter went to press, (otherwise know as Kinko's), no dates were set for the scrapbook group. Call Nancy Townsend for the latest info.

GENTLEMEN, FEEL LEFT OUT? We apologize. When the weather warms up, we assume you will email about athletic gatherings. You are welcome to join our social committee meetings or set up any interest group. All a group needs is a leader to help get it off the ground. In next month's issue, I will be happy to list the names of men who mentioned interest in different activities such as volleyball on the Social Committee survey. You can email me your name and activity to add to that list at zwmom@aol.com

-Nancy Townsend



Your help is needed!
Nominations for Yard of the Month have
been seriously lacking!
Remember, it's only fun if we all participate!

Please send your nominations for
Yard of the Month
to davkenn@swbell.net each month!

*The Overlook Outlook would like to
thank our*

Board of Directors

*for all its time and efforts at making
this a wonderful community in
which to live.*

Thank you!

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