

July Meeting

When: 7:00 p.m.
Monday, July 11, 2011

Where: Trinity United Methodist Church
4001 Speedway

Note: HPNA general meetings usually take place on the first Monday of each month.

HPNA General Meeting Agenda for July 11th



Ice Cream Social and Volunteer Appreciation Party

Come cool off with us and enjoy some delicious ice cream. We'll be celebrating all our volunteers who have given so much time and effort to our neighborhood in many different capacities over the past few months.

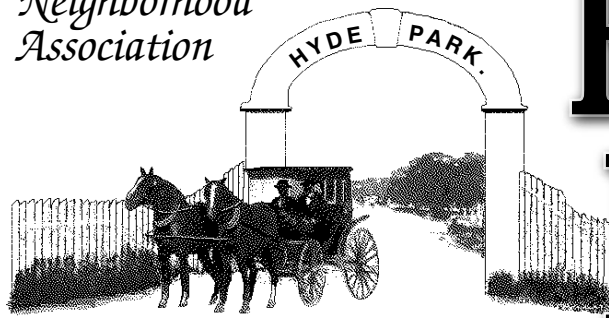
Save Shipe Pool

How much does Shipe Pool increase your quality of life in Hyde Park during the summer pool season? With record high temperatures stacking up this summer, our neighborhood pool is one of the few places to get relief from the heat.

More importantly, it is the focal point for our experience of community in the summertime. Shipe Pool is the crossroads for neighbors, young and old, to visit with each other and share their lives together. It is not overly sentimental to say that our neighborhood pool is integral to the fabric of our community in Hyde Park. And for many Central Austin neighborhoods, our parks and pools are a critical part of what makes Austin such a wonderful place to live.

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Volunteers Assure Success: The 35th Annual Hyde Park Homes Tour



Docent and HPNA Secretary Sam Waring awaiting another group of visitors at the Duett-Cummings home during the Hyde Park Homes Tour.

Under clear and sunny skies with temperatures of 104 degrees and higher, the 35th Annual Hyde Park Homes Tour welcomed about 450 tour goers to **Back to Hometown Austin: Hyde Park**. Homes Tour Chair and HPNA's immediate past president David Conner presided over a tour which was successful in both celebrating Hyde Park's historic preservation and in raising funds for Hyde Park Neighborhood Association.

More than one hundred volunteer docents, house captains, bus guides, ticket sellers, writers, researchers and a photographer, a volunteer coordinator, a fundraiser, a publicist and a webmaster joined Hyde Park

Neighborhood Association and its partner Trinity United Methodist Church in presenting our historic neighborhood and five very special homes as well as three historic buildings to the visitors.

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From the President's Desk:

Thanks to Homes Tour Chair David Conner, Trinity United Methodist Church and all the homeowners and volunteers for making the homes tour a big success! I am sure that this is an incomplete list, but John Williams, Catherine Moore, Carolyn Grimes, Deaton Bednar, John Moore, Robin Silberling, Phaedra Chandler, Dave Lyon, Sharon Majors, Adam Wilson, Cynthia Lyon, Peter Maxson, Hannah Carey, Alan Marburger, Mary Letouf, Sam Waring, Wanda Penn, Martha Campbell, Lori Cambell, Carol Burton, Carolyn McFarland Busby, Dr. Michael Nill, Dr. Irene Cohen, Frank Wilde, Kim Breakey and Linalice Carey helped with various aspects of the tour. Thanks also to our sponsors!

In response to Austin's budget proposal to close some neighborhood pools, including the pool and baby pool at Shipe, a group of neighbors from Hyde Park and adjacent neighborhoods (including Hancock and

Northfield) has begun meeting to work on developing alternatives to the pool closures. The Friends of Shipe Park, including Alison Young, Adam Wilson, Philip Baird, Rhonda Baird and Mark Fishman, have been the core leadership of this effort. If you are on Facebook, joining the Friends of Shipe Park group will insure you get current information on these efforts. On June 25th the group held our annual pool opening party, somewhat expanded this year in order to highlight our concern about the proposed closure of our neighborhood's pools and so many others. Thanks to Fresh Plus for donating water for that event!

The trial closure of Bruning Avenue to through traffic began as scheduled on June 5th. The most recent information we have is that the experiment will run through September so that the test period will include some time when AISD and UT are in session. It is important that the city have as much data as possible on what effect the closure is having, so please share your observations with Gary Schatz, Dipti Borkar-Desai and Ali Mozdbar in the transportation department and copy Bob Breeze, our point person on 51st Street and Duval issues. If you experience a serious problem please contact 311 as well to insure

that the complaint is tracked. The transportation department has provided us with answers to some of our questions:

Question: How is the effect of the closure being measured?

Answer: Traffic counts have been collected for 51st Street at its intersection with Duval Street/ Bruning Avenue and Clarkson Avenue. Traffic counts have been collected on Bruning Avenue, Duval Street, East 51st Street, Clarkson Avenue, and East 53rd

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Street. Traffic counts will be collected at the same locations during the temporary closure, to be consistent. Subsequent counts will occur some time this fall after Labor Day, 2011. Traffic counts will occur on a typical weekday while school is in session. Similarly, travel times along East 51st Street between Guadalupe Street and Airport Boulevard and queue lengths will be observed and documented before and during the temporary closure of Bruning Avenue.

Question: How is travel time measured? Presumably it's not measured for each individual car. For which cars is it measured?

Answer: We use "Floating Car Method." It means someone gets in a car and drives with other cars along the corridor for a few times.

Question: If travel time decreases on 51st but at the same time increases on corresponding stretches of 45th, 53rd and Koenig will that information be captured? Will that be considered a success?

Answer: We are just conducting travel time runs on the East 51st Street Corridor.

The next pretrial hearing

for the tire slashing suspect is scheduled for July 20th at 9 AM. The trial date has not yet been set. In June the *Austin Chronicle* did a story on the court proceedings so far. If you missed it you can find it at <www.austinchronicle.com/news/2011-06-10/tire-slasher-suspect-gets-day-in-court/>

– Lisa Harris
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Announcement:

Almond Tree Christian Fellowship will have Barbara Wentroble as a guest speaker on Sunday, July 31, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. Barbara is a strong apostolic leader and is gifted with a powerful prophetic anointing. For more information, please visit our website at <www.almondtreecf.com> or call 512-452-8953. Our address is 4115 Avenue D, Austin, TX 78751.

– Virginia McRae

Help Wanted Dept.: Pecan Press Seeks Editor

After serving ably as *Pecan Press's* Interim Editor since last December, Sarah Sitton plans to step down from that post when her professorial responsibilities at St. Edward's resume in the fall. For his part, long-time Editor Grant Thomas has some other responsibilities and priorities, and feels that after 31 years of his editorial service, it is time for some new blood and a fresh perspective with the newsletter. Consequently, there will soon be a vacancy in the editorship of the *Pecan Press*, and interested neighbors are encouraged to apply for the position by contacting Sarah <sarahs@stedwards.edu> and/or Grant >hgthomas@youthlaunch.org>. Key qualifications would include (but not be limited to) some degree of journalistic ability, and a genuine interest in and love for the neighborhood. Contact us!

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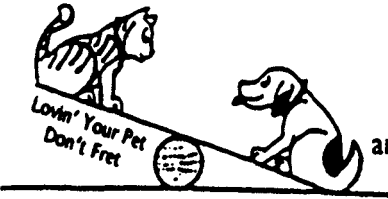
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35th Annual Homes Tour ...

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Owners who generously opened their properties for the tour included:

Frank Wilde--Olson-Foster House, 3808 Avenue H
Carolyn McFarland--Proctor-Evans-Otting House, 4200 Duval

Carol Wagner and Debra Day--Cashway Bakery & Grocery, 4001 Duval (now 4001 Duval Salon)

Linalice Carey--Carleston House, 4007 Avenue B
Josh Busby and Bethany Lee Albertson--Phillips-Frazier House, 4104 Avenue B

Dr. Michael Nill and Irene Cohen--Duett-Cummings House, 4009 Avenue A

The congregation of Trinity United Methodist Church, 4001 Speedway

The Baker School at 3908 Avenue B was a site of interest on the tour but was not open for interior tours.

"I can't thank enough the wonderful owners and volunteers who gave their time and labor so generously to let us bring the story of historic Hyde Park to a much larger community," said Homes Tour Chair David Conner. "The tour is important in bringing our neighborhood together to celebrate historic preservation and to learn more about our history."

Local merchants pitched in to support Hyde Park by donating to and underwriting the tour. "I hope all Hyde Parkers will say thank you by supporting our sponsors and underwriters," urged Conner.

Presenting sponsors were Grande Communications and Susan Pringle of Amelia Bullock Realtors. Other merchants supporting the tour included NeWorld Deli, Lin Team of Kinney Company Real Estate, architect Karen McGraw, CG&S Design Build, Hyde Park Bar and Grill, vino vino, Brad Haberer of Austin Eco-Lawn and Anne McCormack Haikota or Emerald Haven Realty.

Adam and Caroline Wilson of the Griffin School as well as several neighborhood children manned lemonade stands along the tour route. Volunteers from Trinity Methodist sold water and cookies and led tours of the newly remodeled church.

Guides on the air-conditioned buses told the tales of Hyde Park past while cruising the avenues. In spite of the heat, neighbors and visitors enthusiastically walked, biked or rode buses, appreciating and absorbing the atmosphere of the lovely historic properties. For a few hours over two days Hyde Parkers pitched in, bringing the spirit of Hyde Park past to life and drawing tour goers **Back to Hometown Austin: Hyde Park.**

— Catherine Moore



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In that context, it was shocking last month to learn that the city has proposed to close Shipe Pool along with seven other neighborhood pools to save money from its Parks and Recreation Department budget. City Council will vote on the pool closures this summer as part of the its 2012 budget.

This summer, we will need to stand up for our pool. But this issue is larger than Shipe Pool. It is larger than the 2012 budget. The larger issue is the dire need for adequate and sustainable funding for neighborhood parks and pools across the city. This is a substantial and long-term challenge, and it will require a significant and sustained effort to find solutions.

Friends of Shipe Park, a group of neighborhood volunteers who have worked to improve the park and pool in recent years, works to advocate for Shipe Pool and has partnered with other neighborhood groups to seek a broader solution to this funding crisis. Just as in the fight to save neighborhood schools, we will need broad and passionate support for neighborhood parks. Please join us in this effort to keep Shipe Pool open and to fund and support all of the neighborhood parks and pools in Austin.

Stay up-to-date with this effort at <www.shipepark.org> on FaceBook at the "Friends of Shipe Park" group, and through the Austin Parks Foundation at <www.austinparks.org>.

See you at the pool,

— Adam Wilson
Friends of Shipe Park

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Remembering Celeste Cromack

We are greatly saddened to report the recent passing of long-time friend and neighbor Celeste Cromack – who, along with her beloved late husband Bert, lived for many years at 4016 Duval. Celeste was not only a wonderful person, a kindly soul and a quietly sardonic wit, but also a model citizen. Indeed, she served as HPNA President from October 1980 to October 1982, and under her leadership, neighborhood revitalization efforts accelerated in dramatic and impactful fashion. Due to deadline constraints, we'll have to wait until next month to re-publish a tribute to Celeste ("Thank You, Madame President") that appeared in the November 1982 issue of this newsletter, and outlined the many noteworthy events and accomplishments of her tenure.

Meanwhile, the November '82 issue also featured a valedictory message from Celeste, as she prepared to hand over the HPNA presidential reins. Her message is reprinted below, and is as true today as it was when she first conveyed it nearly thirty years ago:

Participation is Vital

My two years as HPNA president brought me some good days, some bad days, and some I would prefer to forget. However, they were all important days, and I am glad to have had the opportunity to meet so many of my neighbors while I worked for and with the neighborhood. We live in a unique environment, and it is up to each of us to maintain the quality of life we call Hyde Park. No one individual will save our neighborhood. It is only as we work together that we can hope to preserve the character and integrity of Hyde Park.

I hope you will join me in working with our new president Ruth Reeder and the other officers. These individuals have accepted the responsibility for representing our neighborhood, and they must have our support. Each of us has a job to do, whether it is delivering newsletters, attending meetings, acting as a spokesperson, or becoming an HPNA member. If each of us does our part, HPNA will continue to be a vital and viable neighborhood.

- Celeste Cromack



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Planning for Austin's utilities future and the future of the Shipe Park pool dominated the June general meeting. President Lisa Harris called the meeting to order at 7:00.

Colin Rowan, consultant and media person for the **Pecan Street Project**, came to present the project's aims and encourage neighbor participation. He explained the project is a joint venture of Austin Energy, the University of Texas, City of Austin, and Environmental Defense Fund, among others. The group's first endeavor is a demonstration project at Mueller, trying out distributed solar, smart grid water, demand response, electric vehicles, energy storage, dynamic pricing, smart appliances, and green building. The goal is to find which parts really work and which will not in a real-world environment. The project is partially funded by a \$10.4 million grant from the US Department of Energy.

The eventual goal of the project is to enroll a thousand homes in the project, both at Mueller and in other neighborhoods. The first two phases will be a hundred homes in the Mueller development and another hundred in the city that have passed an E-CAD energy audit. The third phase will include a thousand homes, and have both energy-efficient and older, "leaky" homes in the customer base. Neighbors who want more information about the project can go to its Web site, www.pecanstreetproject.org.

Baker School came up next, with Lisa noting that the school district had agreed to use basketball backboards and nets already on hand to replace the weathered backboards currently at the school. The issue of pending sale of the school was raised; Karen McGraw stating that the posted asking price of \$7.5 million represented a "fire sale" price, and this raised questions about a potential sweetheart deal. She also raised questions about the process used to select the broker for the school sale.

Crime chair Heather Freeman was not present, but Lisa reported the tire slasher trial is proceeding with the next hearing scheduled for June 15th.

Hyde Park Pool: Mark Fishman introduced neighbor Jill Nokes, who is also a member of the **Austin Parks Foundation**. Jill gave a long and sobering talk about the state of the parks and recreation budget, and what neighbors could do to minimize the impact on Shipe and other neighborhood pools. She advised that there will need to be commitment by neighborhood associations

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for underwriting support, a buddy system to share what resources there are, and as much publicity as possible, including social media, to stress the pool's presence in and importance to the neighborhood. She also observed that while things may improve in the short term, the longer-term need for commitment by neighborhood associations like HPNA will always be there, and now is the time to think about a longer-term strategy.

Bruning closure: Bob Breeze and Lisa attended the Transportation and Planning subcommittee meeting. They stressed the need to keep pressing for the city to establish objective measures to judge success or failure of the closing. We need to know whether and how the closure has affected traffic on 51st Street. If HPNA can reach consensus with other affected neighborhood associations, we can use that to guide the City in developing their measures.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30.

– *Sam Waring,*
HPNA Co-Secretary



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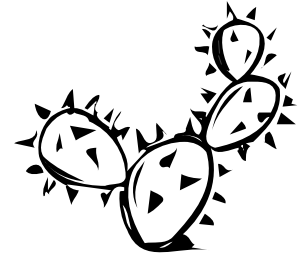
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paddles, or nopales, are a common food source in Mexico, where they are prized for their medicinal and diabetes prevention properties.

Spring is the ideal time to harvest nopales, when the plants sprout new growth. Select young, bright green leaves that are about six inches long instead of the older, more fibrous pads. Wear gloves if you plan to pick from a spined cactus variety, as the thorns can irritate the skin. Grip your nopal of choice with a pair of tongs, and use a knife to cut the leaf from the base, separating it from the rest of the plant.

Back in your kitchen, remove the thorns by holding the paddle firmly between the tongs, and scraping against them with a knife. Try to leave the skin as intact as possible. Finally, slice the paddle into inch strips. Now the nopales are ready to be cooked.

Below is a simple recipe for cactus called Nopaliches because the vegetables are quickly pickled in citrus juice like fish in ceviche. This cactus salad recipe makes a novel taco filling composed mostly of food you can harvest in your own yard.

Nopaliches

Serves 4

Ingredients:

4 nopales paddles, stripped of thorns and sliced into strips

2 poblano peppers, roasted and sliced into strips

1 white onion, sliced into thin rings


cup cilantro, minced

juice of 3 limes

Bring a pot of salted water to boil, and toss in the onion. After five minutes, add the nopales and cook five minutes longer. Turn off the heat, and drain the water from the vegetables. Place the blanched onion and nopales in a bowl and add the roasted poblano pepper strips along with the cilantro. Add the lime juice, salt to taste, and toss the vegetables to coat them evenly. Serve the nopaliches wrapped in warmed corn tortillas. Mexican cream, queso fresco, and hot sauce. Chorizo also makes a nice addition.



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Ivy Awareness

Neighbors,

When walking Hyde Park's country lands, i.e. the alleys be aware that the poison ivy is flourishing. A jingle from an early Boy Scout Handbook is useful in identifying these plants with palmately-compound leaves

Fingers three, turn and flee.

Fingers five, let them thrive.

Berries white, poisonous sight.

Fruit dark blue, no harm will do.

— Mary Carolyn George



Hyde Park Poets —

Three Haikus

The young must follow
a devastating path thru'
winter's 'scape. Then snow falls.

The purpose of life
I'm now quite sure, is we should
make a lotta manure.

If Creative Design is really
the thing, Then all bow down to
the Vegetable King.

— E.S. Cuny

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Remembering Albert (an Ode)

He told me he'd leave me his rhyming machine
yet it was left out of his will and trust.
But I found it later in the back corner room
under a tarp and all covered with dust.
It still looked like new, like it'd never been used
and I tried but it wouldn't crank up.

So I wandered around his boxed up thoughts
and looked for his "Figuring Rhythms" book.
I found it in a haphazard stack
in one that he'd marked "Personal."
But on opening the crate and pulling it out
the pages were gone from the manual.

But underneath there was a single sheet
that was blank except for his name,
and inscribed therein in an unreadable hand,
instructions to follow him to his grave.

I next found the chest that was marked "Oblivion"
which held his patterns of thought-composition.
But when I opened it up and pulled out the boards,
they turned into sand and spilled on floor.
There they formed scribbles on top of the dust,
and in runic-characters spelled out: "Long live
Huff."


— E.S. Cuny

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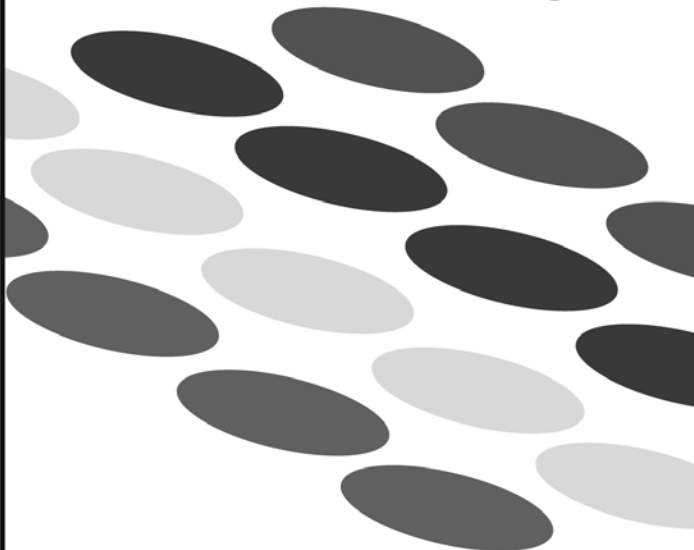


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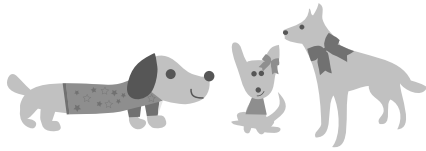
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Hyde Park Poets —

This Healing Earth

It can start at the end of a party,
a birthday, a broadcast, a Bon Voyage.
Too late, too tired – to bed! Leave it
for the morning and tomorrow's garbage.
Next day, sweeping up, dishes washed,
leftovers wrapped up, frozen or tossed.
Dumping the cups and trays filled with ash
finding the glasses and cans in the back.
And when the silver is back in its case,
finally a spot of rest, for a moment content,
that things have returned to place.

Or it can happen in the middle of a day,
some time alone while the kids are away.
On the radio you'll hear a familiar tune
that takes you back, to a roll in the sack
with a lover you'd long forgot. Then
the music stops whether you want it or not,
find you're staring a mirror hard in the face.
You come back from the moon all too soon
and sigh, as you return to place.

And it ends at the start of a sunset sky,
the wife and me rocking side by side.
In the starry vastness as soaring birds cry,
she takes my hand, I understand,
there's no reason to ask why:
Did we do as we should?
Did we raise the kids good?
Again tears well up in our eyes.
By luck or by fate, we found God's grace,
from the witness of birth, to this calling earth,
serene now in the knowledge,
that things return to place.

– E.S. Cuny



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I am going to slouch around the couch



Valerie Mansbendel House 3820 Avenue F

New Price! Last year's Hyde Park Homes Tour featured the home of renowned Swiss Woodcarver Peter Mansbendel, on the corner of Avenue F and 39th Street. That same craftsmanship is evident in this house Mansbendel built next door in 1934 as a wedding present for his daughter Valerie and her husband William T. Williams.

The bride's grandparents, Adele and Monroe Shipe, lived a block away at Avenue G and 39th Street. Shipe had developed Hyde Park in 1891 as the first planned development in Austin and he named this particular area "Shadow Lawn," as marked by still-present concrete benches.

The interior of the home is enhanced by Peter Mansbendel's design and carvings. The beamed living room ceiling rises fifteen feet high and the dining room beams are carved and painted in floral designs. The original wood floors are well-preserved.

Perhaps the most unique features of the home are the portraits of Valerie and Bill that Mansbendel carved into the stone façade.

The house is for sale for the first time outside the family. It has three bedrooms, two baths, formal living and dining rooms and a family room. It needs some updating and repairs, but the Hyde Park Historic District benefit includes eligibility for a property tax freeze for seven years at the pre-rehab value.

The property is now priced at \$449,000.

I am going to slouch around the couch, tonight
Others may choose to enjoy a margarita,
Shifting around the sunset,
Granted, that is a lovely thought
To sit on a deck, feeling a warm, hot, breeze,
Sipping that frozen nectar, developed by
Our neighbors to the south,
But, me, well, it's been a long, fun day of play
And age, my constant companion
Has sneaked out, again, and crept up on my whimsy,

It is not for aching, or pain of any kind,
That compels me to my sofa,
Rather a desire for reflection,
A desire to remember
Deep satisfactions, near misses, and, yes,
The occasional catastrophe,
My slowing down does not seem to have any effect
On the passage of time though it does seem to provide
me
With opportunity, to imagine the do-over's,
The might-haves, and otherwise,
Other ways events could have unfolded,

I wonder, as I read what I have written here,
If I am only justifying my lack of inclination
To seek out a party, partner, or pastime,
Other than reflection,
Other than self-examination,
Other than sifting through my own
Satisfactions,

Time plays tricks and we all know that memories shift
With time and that memories decay
And even if they do not go away,
They are different than what actually happened,
Depending upon the time, the mood, the setting
This is a recurring theme, for me,
I often wonder if your recollection of the moments
We have shared, bear any resemblance to mine.

— Herzele
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Morning light—clear as
that light inside you somewhere—
a trading post in some small
town in northern New Mexico—
I don't remember the name—it
doesn't matter—wandering among
the gewgaws for tourists and
the necessities for natives,
looking for something to take
back with me, something to
remind me of all this when I'm
back home, feeling my chest
tighten thinking of leaving
this state that has such
enchantment (yes, enchantment)
for me, going back to work.
Longing. We're talking about
longing, longing for the
very space that surrounds you.
Something quixotic, something
very sad here. This was one
of my early trips. Later, I
learned wisdom, learned to
walk away from it, taking
nothing with me. That's the
good way, that's the clean way.

— Albert Huffstickler
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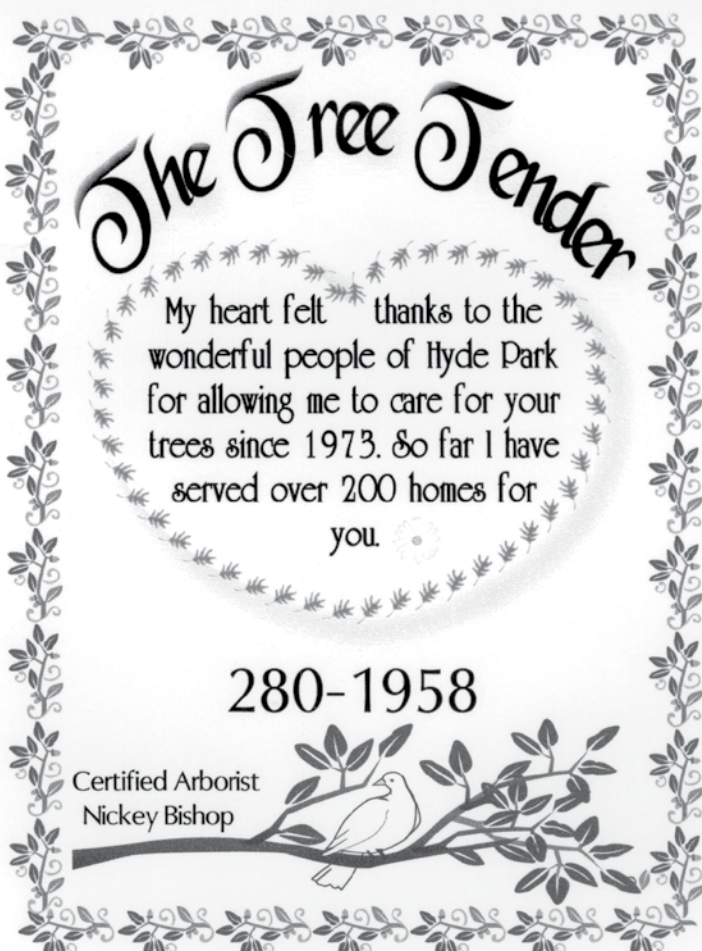


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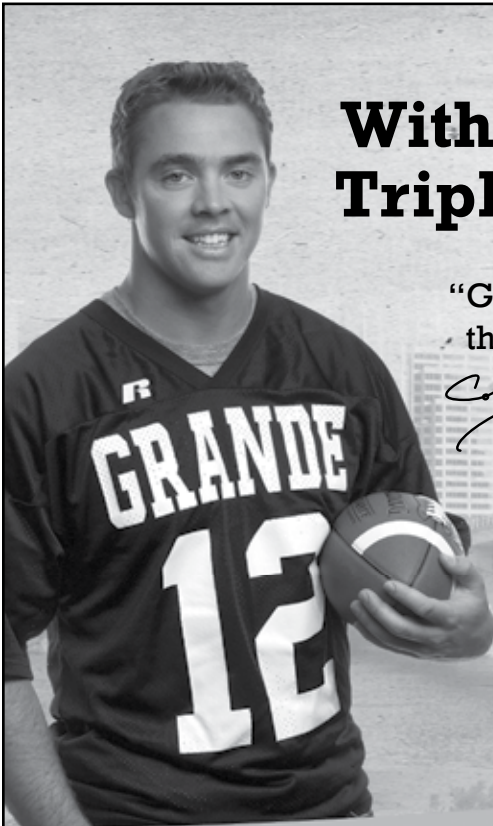
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