

# District 9 Weekly News

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Councilman Joe Krier

*"Working together, we can make District 9 and our City a better place for everyone."*

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Dear Friends and Residents,

The Backbone of District 9 are our neighborhoods and that continues to be my focus!

The new Walmart off of Wurzbach Parkway/Blanco Road is of great interest to many District 9 residents and we are continuing to visit with key Walmart and Neighborhood Association Leaders. In the last two weeks I have met with the interested parties and have planned an on-site walk-thru of the Walmart Construction Progress with these key leaders next week. Based on the outcome of that walk-thru, we will determine if we need to hold a public meeting on the issue in the future.

I am also hosting two other Public Meetings in April and I hope you are able to join me for each of them. First is the **West Ave Low Water Crossing Public Meeting** on Wednesday, April 23rd from 6-7pm at Coker United Methodist Church ([231 E. North Loop SA TX 78216](#)) where we will review design plans and exhibits and City Staff will be on hand to answer any questions regarding the proposed drainage project improvements. Second is a **School Safety Zone Public Meeting** at Piper Bass Student Center ([12002 Jones Maltsberger Road, SA TX 78217](#)) on May 5th from 6:30-8pm where NEISD Superintendent Brian

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Gottardy and Police Chief William McManus are also scheduled to be on-hand with me to discuss School Zone Safety. I want to thank everyone who came out to the **Stone Oak Park Public Meeting** on April 10th. We received a great update from Marc Zak, the Terra Consulting Group Landscape Architect, and the City's Transportation and Capital Improvements (TCI) Division. It was a great opportunity for involved neighbors to give us feedback and provide input for the design. Improvements to the Park will begin early 2015 and are expected to be completed by early 2016. I will provide you with updates along the way!

At this week's City Council meeting, I pulled an item from the Consent Agenda which appointed our City's Municipal Judges. I did so because of the concerns some of you expressed about the independence of our judges in some of their cases involving Animal Care Services. I was assured by the presiding Judge John W. Bull that he oversees all of our Municipal Court Judges and believes they rule independently and are judging each case on its individual merits. I am grateful for the District 9 residents who have shared their views on this important issue, it helped me clarify the Council's ultimate oversight responsibility to Judge Bull and all of the Municipal Judge appointees.

The City Council is in session next week, please click [HERE](#) for the current agenda. As always, if there are topics you would like to see in my future newsletters, please let me know via email at [district9@sanantonio.gov](mailto:district9@sanantonio.gov). Working together, we can make District 9 and our City a better place for everyone. Thanks again for the privilege of representing you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Krier".

Joseph R Krier  
Councilman, District 9

*P. S. Remember to mark your calendar for the Special Election for District 9 on May 10, 2014. Early voting starts on April 28th!*

A logo for "Java with Joe" featuring a coffee cup with the letters "JOG" rising from it. The text "Java with JOG" is written to the left of the cup.

**NOTE: Due to Scheduling Conflicts, we will not conduct Java with Joe On Monday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. We will resume our weekly Java with Joe Meetings On Monday, 21 April.**

**Cancelled!**

Open Door Office Hours  
9am-11am  
Every Monday!

**Thank you for your support!**

District 9 Field Office: 16500 San Pedro Ave.  
Suite #290 (Hwy 281 and Thousand Oaks)



## Any Baby Can: Walk for Autism April 12th

Did you know : Autism now affects 1 in 68 children and 1 in 42 boys, boys are nearly 5 times more likely than girls to have Autism, Autism is the fastest-growing serious developmental disability in the U.S. and Autism costs a family \$60,000 a year on average? I encourage you to get involved with the 10th Annual Any Baby Can Walk for Autism on April 12th at the AT&T Center, registration begins at 7am. Last year's event raised \$110,000 to help Community Families with Autism. You can make a difference! Click [HERE](#) for more information on the event. Click [HERE](#) to **DONATE NOW** or **REGISTER** for the walk.



## Support National Library Week 13-19 April

My Mother was a volunteer librarian for many years and taught me, as a child, the importance of reading and books. Therefore, I have a profound appreciation for libraries. We need to emphasize the importance of reading to our children and there is no better time than National Library Week. Visit the San Antonio Library's website for activity information at <http://mysapl.org/>



# City of San Antonio

### WHAT:

#### 2012 BOND PROJECT

West Avenue Low Water Crossing  
70% Design Public Meeting  
Drainage Improvement Project

### PURPOSE:

Councilman Joe Krier, District 9 and Transportation & Capital Improvements (TCI), will host a Public Meeting to present proposed improvements to West Avenue Low Water Crossing. Design plans and exhibits will be available and City Staff will be on hand to answer any questions regarding the proposed improvements.

### WHEN:

Wednesday, April 23, 2014 - 6:00P.M. - 7:00P.M.

### WHERE:

Coker United Methodist Church  
231 East North Loop Road  
San Antonio, TX 78216

**Click on Flyer for Directions**



*When:* Monday, May 5th  
6:30pm-8:00pm

*Where:* Piper Bass Student  
Center (12002 Jones  
Maltsberger Road,  
San Antonio, TX 78217 )

**DISTRICT 9**

***SAFETY* Public Meeting**

Hosted by Councilman Joe Krier, District 9,  
San Antonio Police Chief William McManus,  
and NEISD Superintendent Brian Gottardy

**Click on Flyer for Directions**



### **Wurzbach Parkway Update (as of 10 April)**

According to TxDOT, the bulk of the work that still needs to be accomplished on the center segment (West Ave to Johns Maltsberger) of the parkway is along U.S. 281. This includes work on the future northbound exit ramps to Wurzbach Parkway and to Bitters Road. **That will mean the current Bitters Road exit will be shut down.** The new exit to Bitters Road will be a braided exit, bridging the exit ramp over an entrance ramp funneling traffic from Nakoma and Wurzbach onto the northbound main lanes of Hwy 281. Drivers can see the bridge support pillars for the exit ramp already formed and built; the entrance ramp will run between the two sets of pillars. The work being done is generally out of the way of the

traveling lanes, so they don't anticipate closures for some time. However, **later this summer when they're ready to set beams over U.S. 281, their will be many closures.** Those closures will be announced well in advance and we will keep you updated. Click [HERE](#) for more details to include the progress they have made with the Blanco Road section of the Parkway. **Overall, the center segment, and the entire Wurzbach Parkway Project is on pace to finish mid-2015.**



## Spring Cleaning? Want to get rid of those Bulky Items?

You have a few options when you are ready to get rid of those bulky large items that are cluttering up your neighborhood. The City of San Antonio provides residents with the opportunity to Dial-A-Trailer and have a garbage truck come to you. Click [HERE](#) for a request form. But why wait? You can also drop your bulky items at the Bitters or Frio City Bulky Waste Collection Center Tuesday-Friday from 8am-5pm or Saturday from 8am-noon. Click [HERE](#) for more information and accepted items.

*Here's a Tip: You must bring a CPS Energy bill that shows you pay the "environmental fee" and valid photo identification to prove residency.*



## Fiesta is Here (April 10-25th)

Fiesta® San Antonio is a rich San Antonio tradition which began in 1891. Each April, more than 3 million people participate in the 11 day celebration of over 100 events and 3 parades honoring the heroes of the Alamo and Battle of San Jacinto, as well as the diverse culture of San Antonio. I encourage each of you to take advantage of this unique San Antonio Experience made even easier as VIA Metropolitan Transit is **Providing Park and Ride Services** from now through the end of Fiesta! Click [HERE](#) for more park and ride details. Click [HERE](#) for event information and tickets for the

events below and more!: *A Night in Old San Antonio®*, *The Texas Cavaliers River Parade*, *The Battle of the Flowers Parade®*, *Fiesta Oyster Bake©*, *Fiesta Flambeau® Night Parade*, and *A Taste of New Orleans*.

## Kicks for Kindness

Winston Churchill High School  
Attempts to Break Guinness World Record!!



### The Road to 30K

The current record for longest chain of shoes is 24,962. Churchill's goal is to collect 30,000 shoes by [April 17!](#)

All shoes will be donated to Green Sneakers and Soles4Souls. Any size, design, and condition of shoe designed to fit a human foot can be donated.

On behalf of Churchill, thank you in advance for contributing! Contact 210-878-8521 or [kicksforkindness@gmail.com](mailto:kicksforkindness@gmail.com) with questions or to schedule pick up!



### How You Can Help

Donate at one of these Kicks for Kindness Boxes

- Donate shoes to Churchill students and faculty, at Churchill's reception office, or to the address
- Send Donations to: Churchill High School 12049 Blanco Road 78216 - Attention: Parliament
- Monetary donations will buy shoes to be donated
- Spread word to friends, over email, Or get collections in workplaces

## Kicks for Kindness Deadline is April 17th!

*Presented by Winston Churchill High School*

There is still time to donate! Shoe and Monetary donations are accepted until **NEXT WEEK** (April 17th); all money will be used to purchase shoes and all donated and/or purchased shoes will be donated to [Green Sneakers](#) and [Soles 4 Souls](#). ANY SIZE, ANY STYLE, ANY CONDITION of shoes are accepted...the need for shoes around the world is so great, no shoes will be rejected. **Please contact the student council at 210-878-8521 or [kicksforkindness@gmail.com](mailto:kicksforkindness@gmail.com)** to schedule a pick-up. You can also drop shoes off at Winston Churchill H.S. (12049 Blanco Road) from now until April 17th. Click [HERE](#) to view a KSAT News 12 Report on the event.

Stay updated and informed about what is happening within San Antonio's Code Enforcement, how they are changing to better serve our residents and how San Antonio residents can help



If you are an HOA/NA President and you would like to start receiving the Code Enforcement Newsletter, email [codeconnection@sanantonio.gov](mailto:codeconnection@sanantonio.gov). The MAR/APR news letter will be published in May 2014. To report a code violation, click the 311 Icon in our applications section below.

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