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Check out our newest event that will be held every 3rd Friday of each month. Check page 3 for details!

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Summer is here and Covid restrictions have been lifted! You know what that means...

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We have quite the announcement to make..

# FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

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## GREAT NORTHWEST PASSAGES



**P. 03 Welcome New Community Manager**

New and exciting things are coming about!

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An important decision was recently approved



## NEW BEGINNINGS



Brian Stives  
Chairman, Board of Directors

First off, I'd like to welcome our new Community Manager, Lexi Bachran, to the GNW! Lexi is no stranger to us, as she came from the District 6 Field Office, where we were one of her neighborhoods as she represented the Councilwoman. She has a wealth of experience with neighborhoods, neighborhood engagement and communications. She is a great addition to the team, welcome Lexi!

Lexi hit the ground running when she arrived, helping to plan and organize the "Blue and You" event at the soccer fields on June 5th, which was a huge success. Its not every day you get the SAPD SWAT team and vehicle, or the SAPD chopper in your neighborhood....and we got both for this event. Look for more of these events throughout the city, based in large part to the success of this one. Thanks to our SAFFE Officer, Officer Henry, for the idea and planning/ coordinating the event. Also a big

thanks to our staff who brought the huge assist. Ed, Teresa, Truong, and the maintenance staff, who made sure it was a great showing for the GNW, and a great opportunity for the community to get out and meet our friends at SAPD.

### CULEBRA CREEK GREENWAY EROSION CONTROL

Erosion issues at the bridge on Tezel, leading into the GNW owned portion of the greenbelt, has long been a concern for us. If you live, or walk, along that stretch near the bridge you know exactly what I'm talking about. With the Economic Recovery Funds coming to the city, I made a request to the city to fund a project planned by GNW residents Bill McDonough, Andy Green and Myrl Britten to address the erosion in that area.

This will be the first step in helping to stop the erosion and help to control



## NEW FORMAT; NEW FEEL

You're holding onto the first edition of a months-long undertaking filled with little challenges and surprises. When we first analyzed Passages' format, we initially looked into if residents would prefer to receive Passages electronically or keep them hand-delivered.

This finished product took a completely different direction: subscription-based Passages.

This methodology is going to be used to track the amount of readers that we have on a bi-monthly basis because we need it.

We will keep this newsletter available in office for you to pick up, but it will also be published online on our website at: [greatnorthwest.org](http://greatnorthwest.org)

We expect this to be a learning curve so be patient with us as we pick this up to speed. Designs will evolve as we gauge each issue, its metrics and residents' responsiveness.

For up-to-date information, follow our Facebook as well.

the flow of waters through the area, which has gotten worse in recent years due to development upstream. This project has been talked about for a few years, and our great relationship with District 6 will result in some funding to get started. A definite win for the GNW.

The pools are open, and sparkly clean, so make sure you get out and cool off a bit. Also, look out for the GNW 4th of July parade this year, which promises to be better than ever. There is rumor there will be at least one HS band in attendance, joining the normal groups of car clubs and entries from various civic and commercial organizations in the area. With the lifting of restrictions on gathering, its going to be a busy, and fun summer, so we'll see you around the neighborhood!

## GET CAUGHT UP ON WHAT'S NEW

# Coffee

## WITH COPS

In tandem with our GNWatch meetings, our SAFFE officers are now offering an even more direct way to report your security issues. And we're happy to be able to bring them and residents together especially over coffee. **Welcome, Coffee with Cops.**

This event will be held every 3rd Friday of each month from 10am - 11am at Flores Hall. This will give you a chance to meet your SAFFE officers and report any concerns or suspicious activities that you think they should know about. We hope that this will give residents

- FLORES HALL  
(9310 TIMBER PATH)
- EVERY 3RD FRIDAY  
OF EACH MONTH
- 10AM - 11AM

more of a chance to get involved with the security network here at the Great Northwest. There's a lot that happens behind-the-scenes between Security, GNWatch, SAFFE and SAPD that you might find interesting.

If this 10am schedule does not work for working residents, we hope to see you at the GNWatch meetings held every 2nd Thursday of each month. In July, GNWatch meeting will be held in-person at Callanen Hall as well as virtual with this link:

<https://bit.ly/2Q93q3R>



## MEET THE NEW COMMUNITY MANAGER, LEXI BACHRAN

Hi! I'm Lexi and I'm so excited to serve the residents of the Great Northwest as your new Community Manager. I am lifelong resident of San Antonio, a mother, and a social worker. I have a graduate and undergraduate degree in social work and spent much of my early career working in the nonprofit sector in direct service, volunteer management, fundraising, and events.

I was fortunate to support the missions of incredible organizations like the San Antonio Food Bank, Rape Crisis Center, and SAMMinistries. I started working with neighborhoods as a member of the District 1 team under former Councilman Diego Bernal and later went on to serve Councilwoman Sandoval, Representative Lopez, and finally Councilwoman Cabello Havrda. I am a problem solver by nature and enjoy finding creative ways to address challenges through mobilizing the strengths inherent in every community.

I am passionate about community building that improves quality of life and look forward to meeting you and your family and learning more about what you love about the Great Northwest and how we can work together to make any improvements that you feel will help us thrive. Reach out to me at [cm@greatnorthwest.org](mailto:cm@greatnorthwest.org) with ideas for neighborhood engagement or events, concerns or questions, or just to say "hi". I can't wait to meet you!



## BLOOD DRIVE

South Texas Blood & Tissue Center will be hosting a blood drive on July 26 from 1pm to 6pm at Silver Creek and Emerald Valley for all residents. All donors will receive a \$10 Rudy's voucher and \$10 gift card of your choice to multiple retailers.

To register for a time slot visit:  
<https://rb.gy/wlx29r>

If you were thinking of donating, don't hesitate to sign up! Some of these time slots are limited on spots.

## GREENBELT TRAIL

Back in 2018, the Linear Creek Trailway was put on an agenda to gauge the interests of residents. It was eventually voted on and approved by residents then and the inter-workings with the City and Great Northwest began.

Now, it looks like construction has begun, but might not reach our neck of the woods just yet. The pathway will stem from Cathedral Rock Park to Tezel Road so look out for future updates regarding this.



# RECREATION

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer is here and Covid restrictions are loosening up and that means that we can bring on the fun!

We had our recent big event, Blue & You, and the turnout was pretty nice. 50 children with 60 adults so around 100ish people to help celebrate safety awareness. Parents and children were able to meet their SAFFE officers, eat some good barbecue and just bring a good sense of normalcy through activities and a water ballon toss at the end.

Here is a list of the upcoming events and programs for July and August:

**Dive-In Night**  
July 30, 2021 @ 8:30p  
Silver Creek Pool

**Coffee with Cops**  
July 23, 2021 @ 10a  
Flores Hall (9310 Timberpath)

**Dive-In Night**  
August 27, 2021 @ 8:30p  
Silver Creek Pool

**Swim Team Divisionals**  
July 17

**Early-Bird Soccer Registration**  
July 12

**Volunteers and judges needed for the Fourth of July Parade!**

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The Great Northwest Presents



# DIVE-IN NIGHT

AT THE pool

**SILVER CREEK POOL  
JULY 30 @ 8:30 PM**

**\$5 PER FAMILY**

- DOORS OPEN AT 7:30PM
- MEMBERSHIP ID CARD REQUIRED
- 1 MEMBERSHIP CARD COVERS 1 FAMILY OF 5

## FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

DECORATE YOUR FENCE LINE WITH AMERICAN PRIDE, IF YOU LIVE ON THE ROUTE!

IT'S BAACK!  
If you're a hardcore Great Northwest traditionalist, or just like getting smeared by that one float that tosses out those beaded necklaces, you should come out and enjoy the sights and sounds.



We're prepping the parade to be big (2 bands big) and looking to bring back the car club, OWLS, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Timberwilde Elementary; basically the whole crew. Line-up is at 9:30am and the Parade will start at 10am starting from Zachary Middle School to the GNW Lodge.

If you're interested in participating for that free advertising, you can find the forms in the office or here at:

We will promptly be serving brisket tacos at the Lodge soon after so you don't want to miss the drama that unfolds during the awards presentation for best float. (There's really no drama)



## SWIM LESSONS

BUBBLERS CLASS \$35  
Ages 6 months – 2 yrs

BEGINNERS I-GUPPIES \$65  
Ages 2-6 (3-5 students per class)

BEGINNERS II-ANGELFISH \$65  
Ages 2-6 (3-5 students per class)

INTERMEDIATE I-GOLDFISH \$65  
Ages 6-8 (3-5 student per class)

INTERMEDIATE II-SEAHORSE \$65  
Ages 6-12 (3-5 students per class)

ADVANCED I-SEAL \$65  
Ages 8-18 (3-5 students per class)

ADVANCED II-DOLPHINS \$65  
Ages 12-18 (3-5 students per class)

MASTERS \$50  
ADULTS (10-12 students per class)

# WHO ARE YOU CALLING



The Great Northwest Security Department staff members endeavor to provide the best service to our residents. To help ensure consistently

efficient service, I have provided some examples of the San Antonio Police Department's role vs. the role of GNW Security. This should reduce the response time during calls for both Police and Security assistance.

The San Antonio Police Department's officers are highly trained and equipped to respond to the more aggressive altercations while GNW

officers are trained to observe and report minor and some emergency incidents.

Residents have the option of filing an internal information report with the GNW Security to coordinate "special watches" and random routine security patrol byes when necessary.

If you have any questions regarding GNW neighborhood crime prevention programs, please contact our designated SAFFE Officer Tim Henry at 210-207-5828. If you have questions about the role of your Security department please contact me, at 210-669-8984.

*Derrick Chandler, Security Chief*

**SECURITY: 210-681-6268**

**SAFFE: 210-667-6722**

**timothy.henry@sanantonio.gov**

**NON-EMERGENCY SAPD:**

**210-207-7273**



# CALL

VERSUS

# DON'T CALL

## SECURITY OR NON-EMERGENCY SAPD

- home burglary,
- domestic dispute
- active shooters
- threat of physical assault
- any assault with a weapon
- hit and run vehicle accidents (involving injuries)
- armed robbery
- gun-shots fired and/or any other incident that may result in serious bodily injury

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- burglar alarm activations
- vehicle burglaries
- mailbox burglaries
- package theft
- automotive theft
- theft of property

# 911

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## CHECK YOUR MAIL DAILY

We recently put out a PSA regarding mail thefts and asked residents to check your mail daily.

We have reports of USPS repairing mailboxes, but you can also request your mail to be held and delivered.

Just head to the website, usps.com, register for an account and ask for a hold/delivery and they will hold your mail for a week and them deliver them to you altogether.

## WELCOME BACK GROUPS!

### MAHJONG

Every Tuesday @ 6:30pm - SC

### POKER

Every Thursday @ 1pm - EV

### LINE DANCING

Every Monday & Thursday @ 1pm - SC

### BOOK CLUB

Every 3rd Wed of each month @ 7pm - SC

### DOMINOES

Every Wednesday @ 11am - EV



### LIFEGUARD AUDITS

Welcome the news addition to our summer staff, Wilson and Wilamena (I dont know how to spell that). They will be helping the summer staff keep up their life saving skills. Keep your eyes out for the summer staff in action as they are saving Wilson and Wilamena from the pool. You may even be asked to help participant in these random lifeguard audits.

## DRACO

Draco has been able to issue a whopping 961 violations for the months of May through June and I bet you can already tell which one made it to the top just by glancing to the right..

While we did need the rain, residents need to rememeber that your lawn must be maintained at a certain height. Not only does our Covenants call for this, but the city ordinance as well.

Here is a comparison of lawn height between what the City deems as too high vs. what DRACO deems it at.

**CITY**  
48 inches

**DRACO**  
8 inches

## DEED RESTRICTION VIOLATIONS

MAY - JUNE

**OVERGROWN GRASS**  
657 VIOLATIONS ISSUED

**NUISANCE**  
211 VIOLATIONS ISSUED

### DAYS TO CORRECT VIOLATIONS

STEP 1 - COURTESY LETTER (10 DAYS)

STEP 2 - SECOND DELINQUENT LETTER (15 DAYS)

STEP 3 - THIRD DELINQUENT LETTER (30 DAYS)

STEP 4 - VIOLATION REVIEWED BY BOARD

STEP 5 - FOURTH LETTER (LAWSUIT NOTICE)

STEP 6 - COURT PETITION (LAWSUIT)



## COMMUNICATIONS

There's been some designing going on in this department specifically towards Passages and our online weekly updates. If you haven't checked our online stuff, you should! It holds up-to-date information, and to check it, just head to our facebook.com/GNWCIA.

With events picking up, we're fortunate to be able

to capture more of the residents in action. The return of Dive-In Nights, Gators Swim Team, in-person GNWatch meetings for a change and some more; you smell that normalcy in the air?

One future plan that we're looking at is to revamp the website and make processing paperwork a lot

## EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Eduardo Garza-Fourquet was just recently promoted to Assistant Community Manager!

You probably have seen or met him while in office, but did you know he's been with us for 4 years?

He first started part-time in DRACO and eventually moved into the office as the Administrative and Communications Manager where he has been for the past 3 years until now.

You can join in

He can answer your questions regarding hall reservations, resales and just about anything. He's a one-stop-shop.

Congratulations, Ed!



# ADMINISTRATION

With summer upon us and school ending for the season, people are ready for somewhat of a normal summer we want to make sure all GNW residents have what they need so that they have access to the pools and all other amenities.

You want to make sure that your 2021 assessments are paid in full so that you can get the 2021 sticker behind your membership I.D. card.

If you are on a payment plan, once that is paid in full you can get that sticker and for renters, we want to make sure that a Delegation of Rights of Enjoyment are on file reflecting the current renter's information

before a membership I.D. can be issued.

To the right is an infographic of the questions residents are bringing into the office regarding membership ID cards. It could be your question

**Interested in renting one of our pools for your summer party? Fewer than a dozen dates are still available for June and July!**

**RESERVE YOUR POOL PARTIES BEFORE ALL THE DATES FILL UP!**

## OBTAINING YOUR MEMBERSHIP ID CARD AND USING IT



## WELCOME BACK CLUBS & GROUPS!



### OWLS ARE BACK!

OWLS are back and ready to take on the summer! This is one group that is just as resilient as Covid has been. OWLS are an older group, but don't let the gray hairs fool you. They're a rowdy bunch and will be the first to tell you that. They are also wise and In the off time, they donate their time to Great Northwest causes all the time and we appreciate them for that.

Their plans for the upcoming months will be to hold their usual luncheons at Callanen Hall every 2nd Tuesday of each month, but they will start going out to their usual outings.

If you're interested in joining the OWLS, you can email the president of the club, Nancy Manley, at: [nancygmanley@gmail.com](mailto:nancygmanley@gmail.com)

Check for availability at [google.com/fiber/gnwsanantonio](https://google.com/fiber/gnwsanantonio)

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## RECENT EVENTS

# BLUE & YOU EVENT

If you missed this event, take a look at some of the action from it.

SAPD, along with other sponsors, congregated on Great Northwest Soccer Fields to spread safety awareness to residents here as well as to the public.

Children and parents had a blast meeting their neighborhood SAFFE officers and SAPD officers, understanding the importance of safety awareness and enjoyed the events that were scheduled for the day!

Some of the children won bikes as part of a raffle that happened at the end of the event and we want to thank everyone involved who helped create this event!

As always, be informed with up-to-date information by subscribing to our newsletter or by following our Facebook.

