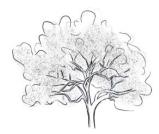


# Gardens of Oak Hollow

A SMALL COMMUNITY WITH A BIG HEART

# Neighborly News



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## **Pony Tails & Bobby Socks**



## **Spring Fling 2024**

Shadow Park South Commons

4-6PM, Sunday, April 28

This is going to be a POT LUCK gathering, so bring a favorite dish to share. Plates, forks, and knives will be provided. Grab your lawn chair and favorite beverage and join your neighbors for a fun Spring Fling gathering.

There will be wonderful 50s music to bring back fond memories. If you want to dress in 50s clothes that would be fun, but totally optional.



Early Voting: 22-30 April

Election Day: Saturday, May 4, 2024

One important item on the ballot this election is for us to vote for our North East Independent School District (NEISD) Board Trustee to represent our district.

#### **New NEISD District**

This is the first election with the newly adopted District Trustee map. On December 13, 2021, the North East ISD Board of Trustees adopted single member district (SMD) maps following Census 2020 for the purpose of electing trustees to the school board. Previously, we were in District 7 but we are now in District 1 on the new Trustee map.

After 24 years on the board, trustee Sandy Hughey is not seeking reelection. So this year we have two new candidates from which you can choose to serve as the NEISD District 1 Trustee.





Lisa Thompson

Michael Gurwitz

Lisa Thompson, 43, was a teacher and reading specialist at Jackson Keller, Stone Oak, Tuscany Heights and West Avenue elementary schools.

Michael Gurwitz, 76, taught math in San Antonio classrooms for 18 years, most of them at Northwest Vista College, until retiring in 2021.

#### **Your Vote Counts**

We all know that our local School Board of Trustees has the important responsibility when it comes to educating our youth. If you have not done so already, take a few minutes to find out a bit about these two candidates. Here are links to some information they have posted for their campaign.

https://www.electlisathompson.com https://www.gowithgurwitz.com

### **Free Admission**

April 26-27 at St Mary's University Gold & Blue Note Jazz Club University Center

I found a Fiesta event that has free admission, so I thought I would highlight it for you. This has nothing to do with the fact that my great nephew is performing at 2PM.

For more than 50 years, St. Mary's has hosted the annual Fiesta Jazz Festival Band Concert and Band Festival on campus. Renowned local, regional and national jazz musicians come to the University, where they perform for the St. Mary's and San Antonio communities.

## Friday, April 26

UNIVERSITY INVITATIONAL

11 AM, Northwest Vista Jazz Combo Noon, Northwest Vista Jazz Ensemble

1 PM. UTSA Jazz Ensemble

2 PM, University of the Incarnate Word Jazz Combo

3 PM, Trinity University Jazz Ensemble

4 PM, St. Mary's University Jazz Combo

5 PM, St. Mary's University Jazz Orchestra

#### WORLD CLASS JAZZ CONCERT

Alyssa Allgood is a Chicago-based jazz vocalist, composer, arranger and educator who has been described as "assured and daring" by DownBeat Magazine and a "model of sophisticated song interpretation" by the Chicago Tribune. She brings a modern approach to the jazz tradition with her original compositions, captivating arrangements and lyrical focus of self-love and human connection.

### Saturday. April 27

Area high schools and middle school students are critiqued and compete for trophies. Honor Band recipients are selected from these groups. Clinics and the chance to see award-winning musicians are enjoyed by all in attendance.

### **Brain Teasers**



The brain is neuroplastic, meaning it has the ability to shift and change over time. Many people believe our brains age as we do, growing less powerful, less capable, and less competent over time.

What most don't realize, however, is that you have the ability to manipulate your brain the way a sculptor molds clay.

The question is: how do we wire our brains for the better?

That's where brain puzzles and teasers come in. We can enhance our mental fitness by exposing the brain to puzzles that challenge our normal modes of thinking.

Ever heard of the phrase "use it or lose it?" That's quite literally true when it comes to the way our brains age. When we don't actively seek novel experiences that expose our minds to all sorts of new and challenging stimuli, our neuroreceptors die-off from disuse.

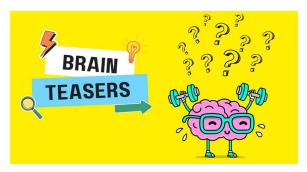
Brain teasers can help keep the mind stimulated by encouraging it to think and act in new and novel ways.

# 3 Brain Teasers That Require Serious Thinking

Before you go, we've got a couple more brain teasers for you to try. Share them with family and friends and see how many you're able to guess correctly! But be warned—these ones are real stumpers!

- 1. You're being chased through a labyrinth and need to escape. You've reached a dead end with three doors before you. The door on the left leads to a blazing inferno, the door on the right leads to a group of expertly trained assassins, and the door in the center leads to a ferocious lion that hasn't eaten in three months. Which door do you choose?
- 2. You stand in a dark room with a wood stove, an oil lamp, and a candle. You only have one match. What do you light first?
- 3. A woman stands on one side of a stream and her dog stands on the other. The woman calls her dog over to her. The dog crosses the stream and gets to the other side without getting wet. The dog didn't use

a rock, log, or bridge to cross the stream. How is this possible?



#### **Spoiler Alert: brain teaser answers**

- 1. The center door. A lion that hasn't eaten in three months is most likely dead.
- 2. The match.
- 3. It was winter and the stream was frozen. Did any of these thinking puzzles leave you stumped?



## **Spring Fling**

4-6PM, Sunday, April 28

#### Garden Gals

6PM, June 20 Hostess: Denise Lassiter 1931 Shadow Park North

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6PM, August 15 Hostess: Terry Hill 1827 Shoal Run