

Wildland-Urban Interface Code

Yes, it affects many of us.

The aftermath of serious fires where residential development and wild lands intersect has generated codes for best practices in building. In 2020, the City adopted codes for all structures in these areas. Most of our homes along golf courses and wooded areas are in this designation. Anyone who was around during the Steiner Ranch fires know how quickly they spread in canyon lands like ours.

[Check Your Address Here](#)

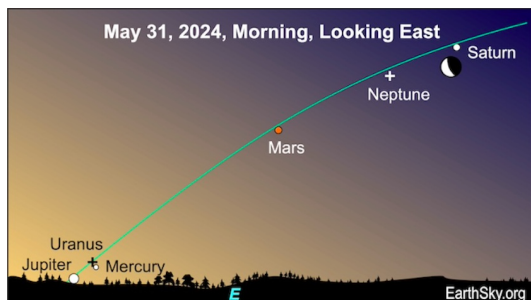
For those of us in this zone, the most likely requirements will pertain to roofing, decking, and fencing. The Austin Fire Department provides a list of material types and brands that meet the requirements.

[AFD Building Material List](#)

[AFD Roofing and Ventilation Guidelines](#)

The City of Austin establishes and enforces these codes, which apply to new construction, remodeling, and replacement (such as decks and fencing). If you are considering any of these projects, check your address. If you are in the zone, then make sure your contractor is aware of the requirements. For example, combining concrete and wood may be a good deck option, which is why consulting with a knowledgeable person is helpful.

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Astronomy Magazine has a great article explaining the whys and hows of the alignment.

Planetary lineups like this aren't uncommon, but they're always beautiful. It's well worth taking some time, even if you have to get up a bit early, to stand outside and enjoy a clear view across the

Six Planets Line Up In Morning Sky

From May 31 through June 5, we may be able to see Mercury, Jupiter, Uranus, Mars, Neptune, and Saturn lined up in the pre-dawn sky. Best viewing is around 30 minutes before dawn, which is 6:00 AM for us.

Three of the planets will be low in the sky and first to be obscured by the sun. Also, as they are low on the horizon, we need a good eastern view.

Some of the planets will have a faint light, and a telescope or binoculars may be needed.

solar system from your doorstep.

Astronomy.com

We will have to plan ahead and find a good eastern view.

Block Parties and Rock Painting

Residents of lower Vista View and Spicewood Parkway had a great block party last Saturday. They are interesting people - at one point the conversation landed on going to Mars. (Consensus was we'd use a portal but no way were we flying for 6 months in a space ship.) Yes, never a dull moment with this group.

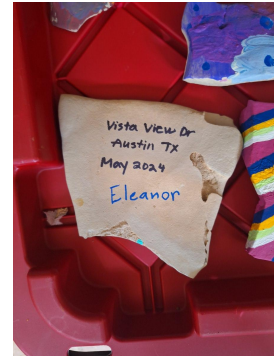
Rock painting was a big hit. They are drying now and will be sealed with clear acrylic to preserve the paint. Also, location and date were written on the back.

Do you have interesting stories from your parties?

Do you want to have a block party but are not sure where to start?

Contact Linda Strickland for more info.

[Email](#)

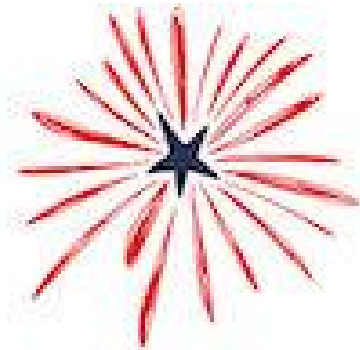


Fourth of July Parade

Start gathering at 8:30 AM at the Spicewood Club House. Parade runs down Spicewood Club Drive, turns at Malinda, goes up Plumewood, and back to the start. Easy walking.

Everyone decorates something - golf carts, bicycles, dogs, and/or themselves!

All the info in next month's newsletter. Make your plans now!



Save The Date

May 2024			
23	Thursday	Last Day of Class	RRISD
25	Sunday	Paper Airplane Day	
27	Monday	Memorial Day	State, Federal

June 2024			
10	Monday	HOA Board Meeting	**
19	Wednesday	Emancipation Day	State, Federal

** 5-6 PM – Spicewood Branch of Public Library – Meeting Room

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