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## A few simple easy ideas to give your house an update.

- Check your outdoor lighting to ensure it's working and replace any burnt bulbs or broken fixtures.
- Check the front door, is it time to clean and repaint?
- Wash your exterior windows and screens. Repair or replace broken screens.



An old Austin icon still remains-"So close yet so far out."

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Do you have a mortgage? If so, when was the last time you refinanced? If it was not very recently, check with a good lender to make sure your mortgage payment is not costing you more than it should. Are you self-employed and/or have a high debt ratio and want to refinance? There is a program called HARP (Home Affordability REFI Program) that may be just the thing for you. Do you have PMI (Private Mortgage Insurance) added to your payment? Check to find out how to get it removed.

While we are talking about low interest rates, have you considered investing in a house you can lease? This may be a good possibility since rent continues to rise and the housing supply is decreasing. your investment portfolio and seriously consider making real estate an important part.

Whether you are looking to purchase, sell, invest, or refinance, it is a great time. Just get the right information and guidance to help you make great decisions. You might be surprised how many options are available and how much money you stand to gain.

"A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken."

~James Dent



INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT DOGS AS REPORTED BY THE AUSTIN HUMANE SOCIETY.

- 1. Dogs can smell our diseases. Dogs are being used to detect cancers, notify diabetics when their blood sugar is abnormal and alert individuals of oncoming seizures.
- 2. Dogs are as smart as two-year-old children.
- **3. Dogs feel envy.** Your dog really does get jealous when you give another dog a treat!
- **4. Dogs don't feel guilt.** Research continuously shows dogs don't feel guilt over their actions. Instead, they are responding to the change in your demeanor.
- **5.** A dog's nose print is unique and can be used to identify them, much like a human fingerprint.
- **6. Dogs actually do sweat!** Their only sweat glands are located in between the pads of their feet.
- 7. Obesity is the #1 health problem among dogs.
- 8. Dogs don't have an appendix.
- 9. Dogs can get sunburn and skin cancer.
- 10. Dogs get hiccups, too.

Two neighbors are talking to each other. **First neighbor:** Do you know that my dog is so smart, he waits for the newspaper to drop at the doorstep and then delivers it to me?

**Second neighbor:** Of course, I know that very well.

**First neighbor:** Really, well then, how? **Second neighbor:** My dog came and told me.

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Crystal Beach in Galveston, TX

"At the beach, life is different. Time doesn't move hour to hour but mood to moment. We live by the currents, plan by the tides, and follow the sun."

~Anonymous