



# Buttermilk Hill

- The Voelcker Homestead, and the land around it with the dairy was known as “Buttermilk Hill”. In 1917, Louis, a pioneering dairy farmer, purchased over 300 acres of land bordering Salado Creek and when Louis’s son Max married Minnie Tomerlin Max had a craftsman-style home built for Minnie
- Max and Minnie Voelcker carried on the dairy tradition and over the years, acquired more acreage—growing to 1000 acres. Max worked the farm, and Minnie delivered milk to San Antonio.



# Hardberger Park

- Max and Minnie were frugal and philanthropists. Minnie was passionate about helping children in need .
- In 2006 and 2007, Mayor Phil Hardberger led efforts by The City of San Antonio to purchase the 311-acre parcel from the Voelcker estate including the 5-acre farming complex of the Voelcker Homestead. Groundbreaking for Voelcker Park took place in February 2009, and in December of that year, the park was renamed Phil Hardberger Park.
- In 2013 the 1,500-square-foot dairy barn was restored.



Ballad of  
Voelcker  
Homestead to  
*Old MacDonald*

Max and Minnie had a farm,  
E-I-E-I-O.

And on that farm, they had  
some cows

E-I-E-I-O.

With a moo-moo here and a  
moo-moo there,

Here a moo, there a moo,  
everywhere a moo moo.

E-I-E-I-O.

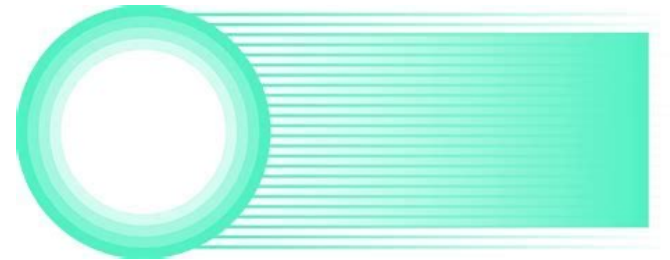


# History Hack

Walk down to the Salado Creek Trail and take a look at what remains of the Voelcker Homestead.

Can you design a logo for Hardberger Park?  
What would you include?

And, yum, be a dairy chef—which foods would you include in a dairy snack?



Dairy Products		
 Butter	 Cheese	 Yogurt
 Ice Cream	 Whipped Cream	 Feta
 Ghee	 Soft Cheese	 Custard
		



# MILK

FROM COW TO CARTON

by Ciliki



Once upon a time Hardberger Park was a dairy farm.