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Sendera residents have an outstanding communication tool available to them but few are taking advantage of it. Our very own web site offers a Message Board, an Events Calendar, a Resident Chat page, Classifieds, Bulletins, and many other useful services to choose from.

Anyone can access Public pages but to access the Resident pages you must first complete a Login Request Form. To do this access the Sendera web site Home Page at http://www.senderahoa.com/outside_home.asp then select the Login tab. Click on the Request Login command and complete the form. When you are finished, click on the Submit button to send the request to the webmaster. Once the webmaster verifies you are a resident entitled to access the Residents' portion of the web site, you will be sent information that will allow you login and establish you own profile.

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Summer Security is Everyone's Concern

A group of emails recently circulated among many Sendera residents describing what has become a chronic problem linked with the beginning of the summer vacation period – a sharp rise in the incidence of car break-ins and vandalism. The most recent set of events started with the theft of a GPS device and other items from a car on Whiteworth Loop the night of the Run into Summer fun run, continued with four cars being broken into on Walsall Loop the night of June 7 and culminated with a disturbing report of an overhead discussion the same evening between four teenagers about breaking in to empty houses in the Corran Ferry area. Add these to the continuing problems with cars speeding through the neighborhoods and the attempted home break-ins mentioned in last month's newsletter and you can see the problem is escalating.

No one is immune from the potential devastation of these crimes. We need to work together as a community to improve the situation in Sendera. The Security Committee is once again looking for people to help with security patrols. They also want to get more Neighborhood Watch signs. It takes a commitment of at least 40% of the residents on a particular street

to attend a couple of meeting held by APD officials before signs will be installed. There was a recent Train the Trainer session for Neighborhood Watch which was only attended by one person from Sendera. While several people have agreed to participate in security patrols, it's going to take more residents getting actively involved before we can hope to make a significant difference. If you are interested, contact the Security Committee (see list of Committee Chairs on page 2).

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Water, Water Everywhere Could Lead to a Fine

The Austin Water Utility is requesting your compliance with mandatory watering restrictions.

More information is at http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/watercon/summer.htm.

Watering days:

For multifamily and commercial properties, the watering days are Tuesdays and Fridays, year round.

For single family residential properties, from May 1 to September 30 the watering days for odd numbered addresses are Wednesdays and Saturdays. For even numbered addresses the days are Thursdays and Sundays.

Watering hours:

For in-ground irrigation systems, no watering between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. year round.

For all other irrigation (hose end sprinklers, soaker hoses, etc.), no watering between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. from May 1 to September 30.

Hand watering is allowed at any time.

Watering violations:

In addition to watering on the wrong day or at the wrong time, wasteful irrigation is also against the ordinance.

Violations include:

- Failing to repair a controllable leak, including a broken sprinkler head, leaking valve, leaking or broken pipes or a leaking faucet
- Operating a permanently installed irrigation system with a broken head, a head that is out of adjustment or misting due to high water pressure
- Allowing water to run off a property such that there is a trail of water that is running in the street for a distance of 50 feet or greater or allowing water to pond in the street to a depth greater than ½ inch.



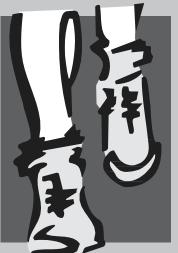
5th Annual Run Into Summer Family Run

By: Sharon Boatwright

Wednesday, June 3rd, 2009, was our 5th Annual Run into Summer Family Run. It was a huge success. There were 30 female and 37 male finishers. I appreciate everyone who came out to participate and/or support the event. There were at least 50 residents cheering and socializing with one another at the finisher's line. It was good to see everyone enjoying the discounted Taco Bueno Burritos, ice cream, fruit, sports drinks and water as they awaited the race results (see list). Congratulations to all the residents for a job well done.

I hope everyone had as good of a time as I did in hosting this event. There were many people who helped out to make this event a

success. One day I will remember to keep better track of all who helped but here are some of the volunteers that definitely deserve special recognition: Suzann & Robert Vera, Peggy Scherr, David Acuna, Veronica Ferren, Jennifer Fisher, the resident who helped collect the male finisher tabs & the two ladies who



calculated the winner list (your names elude me but you know who you are), Taco Bueno, and the **brave** girl who led the National Anthem for us. Thanks!! The event would not be as successful without your help.

Suggested changes for next year events are: 1. Create a master age category (40+ year olds); 2. Create a 3-4 year old shorter race route age category (Any volunteers to run this?); 3. Change back to pizza for after run refreshments; 4. More careful selection on ½ way prize selection. Streamers hit those running behind them and were a bit of a safety hazard. (Sorry about that.); 5. Bib #s with better rip-off tags (already ordered) to help with the end of race calculations. I welcome any and all suggestions for improvements. Please

keep them coming. I even ordered a timer this weekend so next year you will be able to see exactly how many minutes it took to complete the 1.2 mile run. Thanks again for letting me host this event.

A BIG thank you to Sharon for taking this on every year!!!

Finishers in Sendera's 5th Annual "Run Into Summer" Family Run, On June 3rd, 2009

Overall Male Winners	
1st Preston McAdams	(age: 15)
	(age: 47)
	(age: 40)
Overall Female Winners	
1st Jennifer Bottorff	(adult)
	(10)
3rd Alexandria James	(8)
Age Group 0-6 Males	
1st Brenden James	(5)[Overall Male: 15]
2nd John Skeen (6)	[Overall Male: 17]
	(5) TIE [Overall Male: 18]
3rd Marc Galindo	(5) TIE [Overall Male: 19]
5th Calvin Ferren	(4) [Overall Male: 20]
	(6) [Overall Male: 21]
	(6) [Overall Male: 22]
	(3) [Overall Male: 26]
	[Overall Male: 30]
	(3) [Overall Male: 32]
-	(3) [Overall Male: 33]
	(3) [Overall Male: 34]

Age Group 0-6 Females
1st Bella Molina(5) [overall female: 16]
2nd Aaliyah Fisher(6) [overall female: 21]
3rd Joie Rettig(3) [overall female: 29]
4th Grace Miller(5) [overall female: 30]
Age Group 7-8 Males
1st Brin Scott(8) [Overall Male: 9]
2nd Bradley Campbell(8) [Overall Male: 12]
3rd Liam Connally(7) TIE [Overall Male: 28]
3rd Karson Henderson(8) TIE [Overall Male: ?]
Age Group 7-8 Females
1st Maya Hope(7) [overall female: 4th]
2nd Kaiya Emmert(8) [overall female: 10]
3rd Gillian Norton(8) [overall female: 13]
4th Annicka Fisher(7) [overall female: 20]
Age Group 9-10 Males
1st Wynton Scott(10)[Overall Male: 7]
2nd Sam Hope(9) [Overall Male: 8]
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3rd Matthew Abeh(9)[Overall Male: 25]
4th Justin Whited

Fun Run Results- (Continued from Page 4)

Age Group 9-10 Females				
1st Jennifer Gottlieb(10) [overall female: 6]				
2nd Michaela Norton(10) [overall female: 15]				
3rd Jessica Steen(9) [overall female: 19]				
4th Elizabeth Jane Carrean(10) [22]				
5th Anika Drinovsky(9) [overall female: 24]				
Age Group 11-12 Males				
1st Michael Abel(11)[Overall Male: 4]				
2nd Matthew Bradley(12) [Overall Male: 5]				
3rd Gus Whipple(11) [Overall Male: 10]				
4th Nica Acuna (11) [Overall Male: 13]				
Age Group 11-12 Females				
1st Jessica Flores(11) [overall female: 7]				
2nd Han Le(11) [overall female: 12]				
Age Group 13 -17 Males				
1st Warren McAdams(15) [Overall Male: 6]				
Age Group 13 -17 Females				
No Participants				
Adult Males				
1st Tony Bottorff				

2nd Eric Steen	(45) [Overall Male: 14]
3rd Gary Molina	[Overall Male: 16]
4th Brian Connally	
5th Jerry Rivera	
6th Coy Rosenbaum	
7th Travis Volek	
8th Chuck Fisher	
9th Paul Volek	
?? Steven Drinosky	
Adult Females	
1st Natalie Scott	(32) [Overall Female: 5]
2nd Magda Acuna	
3rd Luanne Skeen	
4th Therese James	
5th Barbara Gottlieb	
6th Tammy Henderson	[Overall Female: 17]
7th Colleen Whited	
8th Jennifer Fisher	[Overall Female: 23]
9th Veronica Ferren	[Overall Female: 25]
10th Julie Connelly	
11th Alicia Rivera	
12th Kim Volek	





Sendera Recreation Committee News

Submitted by Suzann Vera

Great Balls of Fire! A little rain didn't stop the fun of the 4th annual Sendera BBQ Cook-off and Fair. The day began with a well attended 10am parade from the pool up Sendera Mesa and back to the cook-off area where teams were busy with their pits and preparation: Mike Detwiler, Secretary of Smoke; The Acunas, Acunabego; Steve Drinovsky, Patriotic Pops; Drew Crosby, Monster BBQ; JR Vera, Holy Smoke; and Greg Johnson, Ames Mirror and Glass. Residents started arriving around 2 PM for the main event. An inflatable jump house was set up for the kids to enjoy, vendors

were selling goods, and a fabulous live band entertained. Local AFD firefighters and APD officers had a tough job judging all of the delicious food, but as expected they got the job done.

Thank you to the wonderful BBQ teams that braved the weather and came out to smoke and grill some delicious barbecue for the neighbors, to the Sendera Board of Directors for supporting the Recreation Committee, to the Recreation Committee volunteers who organized and implemented the event, and to all the residents whose happy faces made the effort worth while.

The winners of Best in each category were:

Ribs	Monster BBQ	BBQ Sauce	Monster BBQ
Pork	Holy Smoke	Side	Acunabego
Beef Bri	sket Monster BBQ	Dessert	Patriotic Pops
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Identity Theft Prevention Tips

Here are some great tips courtesy of the Travis County Sheriff's Office.

- In the course of a busy day, you may write a check at the grocery store, charge tickets to a ball game, rent a car, mail your tax returns, change service providers for your cell phone, or apply for a credit card. Chances are you don't give these everyday transactions a second thought. But an identity thief does.
- Identity theft is a serious crime. People whose identities have been stolen can spend months or years and thousands of dollars cleaning up the mess the thieves have made of a good name and credit record. In the meantime, victims of identity theft may lose job opportunities, be refused loans for education, housing, or cars, and even get arrested for crimes they didn't commit. Humiliation, anger, and frustration are among the feelings victims experience as they navigate the process of rescuing their identity.
- The next time you order checks have only your initials (instead
 of first name) and last name put on them. If someone takes your
 checkbook, they will not know if you sign your checks with just
 your initials or your first name, but your bank will know how
 you sign your checks.
- Do not sign the back of your credit cards. Instead, put "PHOTO ID REQUIRED".
- When you are writing checks to pay on your credit card accounts, DO NOT put the complete account number on the "For" line. Instead, just put the last four numbers. The Credit Card Company knows the rest of the number, and anyone who might be handling your check as it passes through all the check processing channels won't have access to it.
- If you have a P.O. Box, use that instead of your home address.
 Never have your SS# printed on your checks. You can add it if it is necessary. But if you have it printed, anyone can get it. If

- your mailbox is not secure consider taking your mail to a trusted site and mail it from there.
- Place the contents of your wallet on a photocopy machine. Do both sides of each license, credit card, etc. You will know what you had in your wallet and all of the account numbers and phone numbers to call and cancel. Keep the photocopy in a safe place. Also, carry a photocopy of your passport when you travel either here or abroad.
- Cancel stolen credit cards immediately. The key is having the toll free numbers and your card numbers handy so you know who to call. Keep those where you can find them.
- File a police report immediately in the jurisdiction where your credit cards, etc., were stolen. This proves to credit providers you were diligent, and this is the first step toward an investigation.
- If your identity is compromised, call the three (3) national credit reporting organizations immediately to place a fraud alert on your name and Social Security number. The alert means any company that checks your credit knows your information was stolen, and they have to contact you by phone to authorize

1. Equifax: 1-800-525-6285

new credit.

2. Experian (formerly TRW): 1-888-397-3742

3. Trans Union: 1-800-680-7289

Also consider contacting the Social Security Administration fraud line (1-800-772-1213) and the Federal Trade Commission I.D. Theft (1-877-438-4338 or www.ftc.gov)





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July Events at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center

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NATURE NIGHTS - 6 to 9 p.m. Thursdays in July

Talks, crafts, hikes and fun for the family. \$1 admission and free to members and Eco-Explorers. Fossils, July 9; Birds of prey, July 16; Bees, July 23; Water ecology, July 30.

THE ORIGAMI DIVA - July 9 through October 4

An intricate installation of origami by Austin artist Joan Son in the McDermott Learning Center. Origami merchandise in the store.

BOOK SIGNING - 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 11

Terry Thompson-Anderson signs The Texas Hill Country: A Food and Wine Lover's Paradise, in the store.

LADY BIRD JOHNSON TRIBUTE DAY - 9 a.m. to 5:30 Sunday, July 26

Remember our founder with a visit to the Wildflower Center. Book signings, videos and a porcelain display. Free admission.



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Wednesdays in the Park with Oak Hill UMC!

Come join us for a little fresh air and a whole lot of fun this summer! We'll gather every Wednesday evening, June 10 through July 29 at Dick Nichols Park on Beckett Road, about 5:30 P.M. each week. Come and go, come and stay, whatever your family's schedule allows. Bring lawn chairs, a light picnic supper if you'd like (water will always be provided), and join your church family for some fun, fellowship and exercise.

Each week we will have a featured activity, and we'll provide equipment for pick-up games of volleyball, softball and basketball. We'll also bring washers, tailgate golf, horseshoes, etc. and the park has tennis courts, a playscape, and a one mile paved trail, too. Swimming is free at Dick Nichols pool. We'll start our first mile walk on June 10, for those who wish to participate.

It's summertime! Make time to join your church family for Wednesdays in the Park and exercise a little, laugh a lot!! Take care of yourselves in body, mind, and spirit.

SCHEDULE

June 10 - Featured event: **Volleyball!** First mile walk. Fruit and water provided.

June 17 - Featured event: **Basketball!** Second mile walk. Fruit and water provided.

June 24 - Featured event: Silly Games! (potato sack races, relays, etc.) Third mile walk.
Fruit and water provided.

July 1 - Featured event: Watermelon Night, including a seed spitting contest! Fourth mile walk.
Church will provide watermelons and water.

July 8 - Featured event: Supper together in the park!

Lots of activities to participate in. Fifth mile walk.

Church will provide dinner and water.

July 15 - Featured event: Wheels/Dancing/Football!

Bring your bikes, roller blades, skateboards, wheelchairs, etc., and enjoy mobility via wheels! We'll also have folks on hand to lead us in stretching, simple dance team routines, and some line dancing!

Sixth mile walk. Fruit and water provided.

July 22 - Featured event: **Lawn Games!** Horseshoes and washers, lawn darts, croquet, bocce, tailgate golf, etc. Seventh mile walk. Church will provide water.

July 29 - Featured event: Supper together again! Come celebrate this final evening of Wednesdays in the Park with all kinds of activities! Eighth mile walk (won't you be proud?!).

Church will provide dinner and water.

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