

HOME *on the* RANCH



Brookside • Casitas • Champions • Creekside • Enclave
Granite Shoals • Glenfield • Greens Highlands • Landing • Morningside
Overlook • Parkside • Reserve • Waters Edge • Westchester



March 2011

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE AVERY RANCH HOA

Volume 5, Issue 3

CALENDAR

HOA MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

Next meeting - Monday, March 14th

Board Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7pm, except for holidays. Board members will meet on these dates to discuss issues related to Avery Ranch. If you have an item you would like discussed during one of these meetings, please contact Alliance Association Management, Inc. at 347-2888. The location for meetings is at the Glenfield Amenity Center.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

• Neighborhood Garage Sale

Saturday, April 2nd from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Time for spring cleaning! This event will be published in the Austin Statesman and on Craigslist.

• Spring Bazaar and Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 23rd at the Main Amenity Center, Morningside

Mark your calendars for these spring events that will be conducted simultaneously. If you're a vendor interested to rent a bazaar booth, send an email to ssy@goodietwoshoesproductions.com. You may download the Vendor Application Form using this URL:

<http://bit.ly/f5MKQD>

See article in this issue for details

• Avery Ranch Garden Tour

Saturday, May 21st from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

See article in this issue for details

(Continued on Page 3)



At the Bazaar, we expect to have over 100 local vendors! Vendor Booths (10 x 10) are available for retail / crafters with priority allocated to Avery Ranch resident business owners. However, vendor booths will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The vendor application is available online at <http://bit.ly/f5MKQD>. Please clearly mark your application "Avery Ranch Resident" for priority consideration.

Shopping is just the beginning, we will have activities for the whole family that include moon bounces, face painting, balloon art, laser tag, a hamster ball, train ride and food vendors. We have invited the Round Rock Art Cooperative to do crafts with the children. Live music will be playing the whole day. But what's a Spring Event without an Egg Hunt? So we're having two Easter Egg hunts for different age groups at the same time. The first egg hunt will be at 11 a.m. and the second egg hunt at 1 p.m. Come in costume and join the Easter Bonnet Hat Contest! Dress up the children and your pets too for a chance to win a gift package from our vendors. Then visit the Family Photo Studio and pose with the Easter Bunny!

This Spring Bazaar and Egg Hunts require a lot of hands to stage. The Avery Ranch Social Committee is in need of volunteers to help on the day of the event. Please contact Joyce Shalkowski, Spring Bazaar Chairperson, at joyce@yourlocalcity.com or Jean Mayo, Easter Egg Hunt Chairperson, at jmayo002@austin.rr.com if you are able to help serve our community for a few hours on April 23rd.

HOME ON THE RANCH

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

EMERGENCY 911
Fire..... 911
Ambulance..... 911
Sheriff – Non-Emergency..... 512-943-1300

SCHOOLS

ROUND ROCK ISD

Patsy Sommer Elementary 704-0600
..... 16200 Avery Ranch Blvd.
Cedar Valley Middle School..... 428-2300
..... 8139 Racine Trail
McNeil High School..... 464-6300
..... 5720 McNeil Dr.

LEANDER ISD

Rutledge Elementary..... 570-6500
..... 11501 Staked Plains Dr.
Henry Middle School 570-3400
..... 100 N. Vista Ridge Dr.
Vista Ridge High School..... 570-1800
..... 200 S. Vista Ridge Dr.

UTILITIES

City of Austin Water 512-494-9400
Perdarnales Electric..... 512-219-2602

TEXAS GAS SERVICE

Custom Service..... 1-800-700-2443
Emergencies..... 512-370-8609
Call Before You Dig..... 512-472-2822

AT&T

New Service..... 1-800-464-7928
Repair..... 1-800-246-8464
Billing..... 1-800-858-7928

TIME WARNER CABLE

Customer Service..... 512-485-5555
Repairs..... 512-485-5080
Solid Waste Services..... 512-494-9400

NEWSLETTER INFO

EDITOR

Rona Quejada..... arnewsletter@hotmail.com

PUBLISHER

Peel, Inc. 512-263-9181
Advertising..... advertising@peelinc.com

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESIDENT

Steve Roebuck..... steveroe@swbell.net

VICE PRESIDENT

Pat Wimberly..... PatWimberly@gmail.com

TREASURER

Glen Colby..... glen@texas.net

SECRETARY

April Aguren..... april.aguren@averyranchhoa.com

RESIDENT BOARD MEMBER

Mark Bittman mbarhoa@hotmail.com

RESIDENT BOARD MEMBER

Marc Boucher mbouchertx@sbcglobal.net

RESIDENT BOARD MEMBER

Clint Miller clintonwmiller@gmail.com

RESIDENT BOARD MEMBER

Khris Mire khrismire@yahoo.com

RESIDENT BOARD MEMBER

Joe Pero..... jpn2004@hotmail.com

RESIDENT BOARD MEMBER

Gary Wilks wilksg@swbell.net

D.R. HORTON

Tom Moody..... TEMoody@drhorton.com

AVERY RANCH HOA WEBSITE

Visit the Avery Ranch HOA website at
www.AveryRanchHOA.com

FOR QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

Contact our Property Manager & HOA Board for any
questions/concerns about your neighborhood at
GetHelp@AveryRanchHOA.com

DON'T WANT TO WAIT FOR THE MAIL?

View the current issue of Home on the Ranch on the 1st
day of each month at www.PEELinc.com

Neighborhood News

The TCC (Texas Cave Conservancy) gives the tours of
their cave, which is located near Morningside. The cave
tour schedule can be found at: <http://www.texascaves.org>,
click the Cave Day link.

Calendar - (Continued from Cover)

• Avery Ranch Swim & Water Aerobics Lessons

June 6, Monday: Start of 1st Swim Lesson Session at MAC Pool

June 7, Tuesday: Start of 1st Water Aerobics Swim Session at MAC Pool

- See article in this issue for details
- YMCA member registration will start on March 5th and non-member registration begins on April 16th
- Swim Lesson Schedule & Registration Form URL: <http://bit.ly/gHpUmn>
- Water Aerobics Schedule & Registration Form URL: <http://bit.ly/f1m4MO>

We want to hear from you....what events would you like to have in Avery Ranch? Let us know. Contact our Avery Ranch Social Committee Chairperson Jean Mayo at jmayo002@austin.rr.com

GET INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Are you an organizer? Maybe a person who has an eye for detail? Do you like creating checklists? Are you an arts & crafts person? Your community needs you. JOIN THE AVERY RANCH SOCIAL COMMITTEE!

The Social Committee meets every 1st Thursday at 7p.m. at the Meeting Room located by the pool of the Main Activity Center (Morningside). For queries, contact Jean Mayo at jmayo002@austin.rr.com.



The Event Calendar for February to May 2011 is posted on the HOA website under the Social Committee Forum or at Avery Ranch Neighborhood Events on FaceBook <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Austin-TX/Avery-Ranch-Neighborhood-Events/132212366794767>

Playtime for kids... Adult time for parents! Become a part of the Avery Ranch Playgroup! To know more about it, contact April Aguren at april.aguren@averyranchhoa.com



Ché Bella

UNIQUE GIFTS ♦ JEWELRY ♦ HOME DÉCOR

- Locally owned and operated.
- Truly unique one-of-a-kind items created by area artists, apparel, jewelry, home décor and much, much more.
- Gift items for every occasion.
- Men, we can help you find that perfect gift for that special one in your life.

512 - 671 - 4438

Located at Great Oaks & RM 620
16238 N RM 620, Suite E
Austin, TX 78717

Bring this ad into our store to receive \$5.00 towards your next purchase. No minimum amount required.

This offer has no cash value.



Join Us for a Jammin' Fun Summer Camp!



A B A C U S
SCHOOL OF MUSIC

14115 Avery Ranch Blvd. • Austin, TX 78731
512.381.2200
AbacusSchoolofAustin.com

- Field Trip Adventures • Swimming • Arts & Crafts
- Sports • Mad Science & So Much More!

HOME ON THE RANCH

2011 Avery Ranch Swim & Water Aerobics Lessons

Pool Location: Avery Ranch MAC Pool (Morningside)

Last summer, the Avery Ranch Swim lesson program had over 180 Avery Ranch children participating. Some kids learned how to swim for the first time and others expanded on their current skills. The water aerobics sessions were all full. With the very positive response we had, we're doing them again!

*In partnership with Twin Lakes YMCA,
the following lessons are being offered for this summer:*

- **Beginner to Advanced Swimming Lessons (Age 3 - 12)**
8 classes per session (2 weeks), with each class lasting for 50 minutes. Classes are from Monday to Thursday
First Session begins on June 2nd.
Complete Swim Program session schedules and Form URL:
<http://bit.ly/gHpUmn>
- **Shallow and Deep Water Aerobics**
8 classes per session, first session starts on June 7th
with classes held Tuesday and Thursday morning
Water Aerobics Schedule and Registration Form
URL: <http://bit.ly/f1m4MO>

YMCA member registration will start on March 5th and non-member registration begins on April 16th. You must be an Avery Ranch resident to register and must show proof at the time of registration to sign up for any of the swim and water aerobics lesson sessions. Registration will take place at the Twin Lakes Family YMCA, space is limited. You do not have to be a member of the YMCA to register.

Remember to refer to the registration sheets for dates, times, and price. Information on the Avery Ranch Swim and Water Aerobics lessons can also be found at www.ymcagwc.org located under the Twin Lakes location tab under Aquatics.

YMCA swim program has been teaching people to swim for more than a century. In YMCA aquatics programs, children learn to be safe around water and they feel the sense of accomplishment that comes with learning something new. It uses a problem-solving, guided-discovery teaching approach in a positive, caring environment. Kids can develop lifelong skills that can help them stay healthy. All instructors are YMCA swim lesson certified as well as CPR & AED trained.

*We look forward to seeing you this summer
for another great aquatic season!*

CONVENIENTLY LOCATED AT PARMER AND MCNEIL

INTERNAL MEDICINE CLINIC

6301 W. Parmer, Suite 102
Austin, TX 78729

Same Day Appointments!

Treating adults when
they are sick ... and
keeping them healthy
in the meantime.



ALICIA W. GROSSMANN, MD
www.doctorgrossmann.com

Call 512-568-3565
for your appointment

Most major insurance carriers accepted

A Legacy of Excellence in Montessori Education...



SAPIENTIA MONTESSORI
WISDOM



Cedar Park Montessori

OPEN YEAR ROUND

Mon. - Fri.
7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Enrolling children ages
18 months - 12 years
for 2010 - 2011



- Unmatched academic & character foundation
- Individual & group lessons for children to learn at their own pace and strengthen social skills
- Decades of family and staff experience in education, with highly accredited teachers
- Specialized environments which build sensory-motor skills, social skills, high self-esteem, and instill habits of concentration & inner security, through carefully planned activities
- Wide variety of after-school and unique enrichment programs

Sapientia Montessori
512.260.2261

1220 Cottonwood Creek Trail (CR185)
Cedar Park, TX 78613
www.sapientiamontessori.com

Cedar Park Montessori
512.259.8495

400 E. Whitestone Blvd (FM1431)
Cedar Park, TX 78613
www.cedarparkmontessori.com

What Swim Class Should I Sign My Child Up For?

All sessions consist of eight 50-minute classes.

Monday thru Thursday for 2 weeks

Please refer to the session schedule with the list of dates and times.

****Note: Your child must be the age required by the start of the class-no exceptions****

****Note: Not all classes are offered at Avery Ranch Pool****

You will be charged a \$10 processing fee for canceling or changing a lesson.

INDIVIDUAL CLASS DESCRIPTIONS AND REGISTRATION PREREQUISITES GUIDE:

6months-35months: The parent/child aquatic program promotes water enrichment and aquatic readiness. Parents or a trusted adult accompany their child in the pool. (Swim diapers required)

- **Parent-Child:** An instructor provides guidance in how to help your child become acquainted with the water, develop coordination, balance, and social skills in the water. No class prerequisites. Note this class will be 35 minutes long with a 10 minute play time.

Ages 3-5 years (Instructor/student Ratios 6:1): The preschool Aquatics program teaches water adjustment and basic swimming skills. These classes are held without the parent and children are placed into groups based on their abilities. Some of the instruction is done on the pool deck.

- **Pike (Beginner):** This class is designed for the true beginner who has little or no water experience. The emphasis is on basic swimming skills/being safe in the water/and being comfortable. No class prerequisites.
- **Pike/Eel (Beginner 2):** Children who are almost ready for Eel who still need further skill work to reach Eel level. The child must be comfortable putting his/her face in the water/can kick holding side of pool with horizontal body. Prerequisites: Be able to swim the width of the pool with IFD
- **Eel (Intermediate):** Children will learn more advanced swimming skills. Prerequisites: completion of Pike or the ability to front and back float assisted w/out a float belt/can swim in forward motion. This child is not afraid of the water and can jump from the side assisted
- **Ray (Advanced):** Children will learn more advanced swimming skills. Prerequisites: completion of Eel or the ability to front and back float and swim 15 ft assisted w/out a float belt, basic front crawl 15 ft. assisted w/out float belt/show knowledge of breast stroke & scissor kick. (OFFERED AT AVERY RANCH POOL ONLY)

Ages 6-12 years (Instructor/student Ratios 8:1): These classes are held without parents and children are placed into groups based on their abilities. Some of the instruction is done on the pool deck.

(Continued on Page 7)

Nº1
SIX YEARS
IN A ROW

Time and Again, Our Heart Program Comes in First.

For six years in a row, HealthGrades® has ranked Heart Hospital of Austin as the number one heart program in Texas, an accomplishment no other hospital has achieved. What's more, Thomson Reuters ranks us as one of the Nation's 100 Top Hospitals® for Cardiovascular Care — for the fifth time. Here, we put patients and their families first. That's why we're dedicated to providing the highest quality care and achieving better outcomes. And it's why we're recognized by so many quality-rating organizations. So if you're seeking the best in heart care, choose the hospital that ranks at the top.

 **HEART HOSPITAL of AUSTIN®**
A campus of St. David's Medical Center

512-407-7000

HeartHospitalofAustin.com

 **HEALTHGRADES®**
GUIDING AMERICA TO BETTER HEALTHCARE®
2004-2009


THOMSON REUTERS
100 TOP HOSPITALS
CARDIOVASCULAR
2004-2005, 2007-2009

Seton Care For Your Entire Family

As the leading provider of health care services in Central Texas, the Seton Family of Hospitals is proud to offer a full continuum of care for your family. Our primary care clinics provide a wide range of medical services to improve the health and wellness of infants, children and adults:

- Primary family care
- Physicals and sports exams
- Well-woman annual exams
- Diabetes care and prevention
- Blood pressure and cholesterol management
- Minor emergencies
- Disease management

For more information and directions, please visit:

setonfamilyofdoctors.com

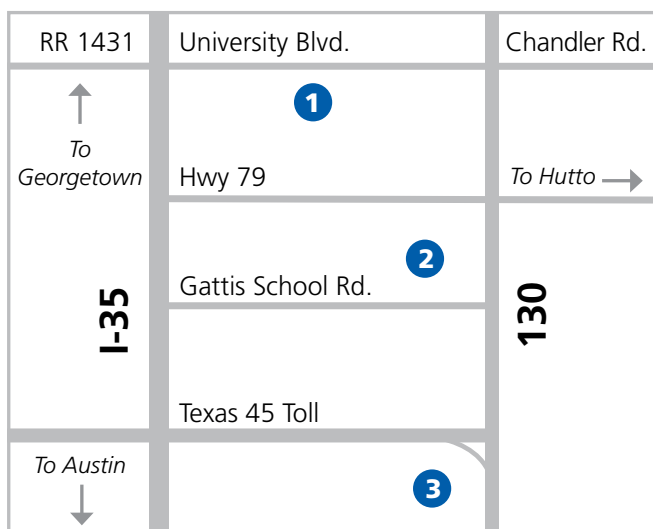


Seton Family of Doctors

A member of the Seton Family of Hospitals



Three Convenient Locations In Round Rock & Pflugerville



1. Seton Family of Doctors at Williamson

Family Medicine
301 Seton Parkway, Suite 302
Round Rock, TX 78665 • Phone: (512) 324-4813

2. Seton Family of Doctors at Forest Creek

Internal Medicine *Adults Only*
4112 Links Lane, Suite 200
Round Rock, TX 78664 • Phone: (512) 324-4870

3. Seton Family of Doctors at Stone Hill

Family Medicine
1512 Town Center Drive, Suite 100
Pflugerville, TX 78660 • Phone: (512) 324-4875

Stone Hill clinic now offers comprehensive cardiac care by the specialists of



Seton Heart Institute

A member of the Seton Family of Hospitals

For appointments, please call (512) 324-4812.

HOME ON THE RANCH

What Swimming Class - (Continued from Page 5)

- **Polliwog (Beginner):** Gradual water orientation, basic swimming, personal safety, survival float, back float, front paddle stroke, and water confidence building. No Prerequisites.
- **Guppy (Beginner 2):** Water adjustment skills, front crawl with rhythmic breathing, introduction to backstroke, prone float and recovery, prone glide with kicking, changing directions, turning over and jumping into the deep end. Prerequisites: completion of Polliwog or be able to swim the width of the pool without assistance.
- **Minnow (Intermediate):** Mastering freestyle with rotary breathing. Increase endurance of backstroke, freestyle, and survival floats. Introduce standing dive and breaststroke. Prerequisite: completion of Guppy or be able to swim freestyle with rhythmic breathing the length of the pool without assistance. (OFFERED AT AVERY RANCH POOL ONLY)
- **Fish (Advanced -AGE 6-12):** Refine the crawl stroke with rotary breathing, the breaststroke, elementary backstroke, back crawl stroke, sidestroke, and butterfly. Master standing dive, headfirst & feet first surface dive. Learn more rescue and helping with first aid. Prerequisites: Completion of Minnow or be able to swim the length of the pool free style or backstroke no assistance. (OFFERED AT AVERY RANCH POOL ONLY)

Sommer Elementary CARNIVAL



Saturday, May 14th • 3:00pm - 7:00pm,
Rain or Shine • 16200 Avery Ranch Blvd

Sommer Elementary School invites all Avery Ranch residents out on Saturday, May 14th to a fun-filled family entertainment afternoon. The Sommer PTA has been hard at work preparing for this event and is sure that you and your family will enjoy all the activities that have been planned.

Included in the day's festivities are 6 inflatables, Foam Pit, Gyroscope, Bumper Balls, Games 2 U Trailer, Laser Tag, Water Balloon Battle Stations, GaGa Ball, Hamster Ball, several local food vendors like Kona Ice and Kettle Corn, Etc, and many more goodies, and you can even send a loved one to the fake jail and see how long it takes for them to be released. We will also have cake walks, stuffed animal spins, a barrel train to ride, our very own balloon sculptor, over 20 game booths, and much, much more!!!

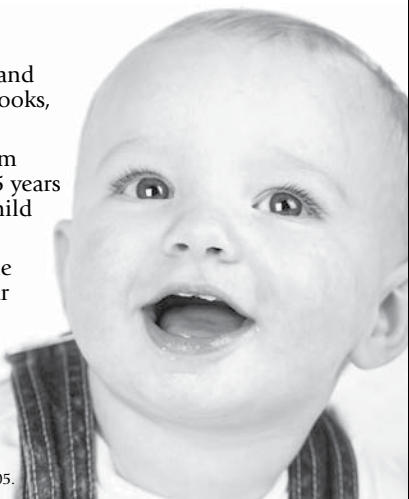
We hope that everyone in our community comes out to support Sommer Elementary. There will be plenty of activities for toddler/pre-school aged children all the way to grown ups that haven't ever grown up! If you have a business (big or small) that you would like to promote, please contact Jana Buis, Carnival Chair, at janabuis@sbcglobal.net to learn about our Advertising, Sponsor and Booth opportunities. See you there!!!

Kindermusik

Your Child Deserves the Best

- Classes incorporate music and movement, instruments, books, and sign language
- Carefully-created curriculum based on Kindermusik's 25 years experience in music and child development
- Nurturing, one-on-one time each week for you and your child in class and at home
- The first class is on me. Discover why 99 percent of Kindermusik parents would recommend the program to other parents.

Source: Harris Interactive, November 2005.



Classes offered at
The Goddard School
of Cedar Park
and
Sassy Pea Market

Kindermusik
by
The Rhythm Studio

512-567-3008 | www.KMbyTheRhythmStudio.com

Locally owned by Avery Ranch Resident

Austin
COUNTERTOPS
Quality | Integrity | Service
Since 1971

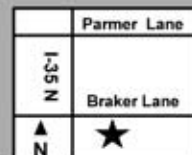
♦ Silestone® ♦ Formica®
♦ Cambria® ♦ Hanstone®
♦ Caesarstone® ♦ LG Hausys®
♦ Wilsonart® ♦ Livingstone®
Kitchen-Bath-ADA



GRANITE | QUARTZ | CULTURED MARBLE | LAMINATE

Visit our Beautiful Showroom
1015 E Braker Lane-Austin

M-F 9am- 5pm
Sat 9am- 1pm



Ask about our
Restoration Services!

FREE Quote
Contact us today!
835-5100

austincountertops.com

HOME ON THE RANCH

Experienced, Licensed, Low Rates!!!

Tax & Accounting Services

Neerja W Kwatra, CPA

9917 Whitley Bay Drive
Austin TX-78717
nwkwatra@austin.rr.com
512-698-2730
512-246-9266

Free Initial Consultation & Registration!

Avery Ranch Street Sign Replacement

By Steve Roebuck and April Aguren

By now, you may have noticed the white street signs that have been installed in the Granite Shoals area. What you are seeing is the first stage of the sign replacement for all of Avery Ranch that was mandated by the City of Austin several years ago. Our signs, as nice as they look, evidently are not safe and are not meeting the City requirements. Admittedly, the Granite signs are extremely heavy and would cause massive damage if they were to fall onto a car or person. Also the sign lettering does not have the reflective paint that is important to Emergency Personnel when locating street addresses at night. The signposts are required to break away if struck by an automobile.

The AROA has worked with DR Horton and the City to find posts and signs that will be acceptable both to the city and the AROA. DR Horton is taking care of the expense for this project. While they will not be as attractive as the Granite, they will be brown and safe. Please bear with us while the signs and posts are replaced and remember that the white ones you see are only temporary. For further history on the changing of the street signs, please refer back to the 2008 and 2009 HOA Annual Meeting minutes.

For Reference

2008 – Annual meeting minutes

- Our street signs are changing whether we like it or not. The current granite signs are very heavy and could cause serious injury if they fell on anyone. A new prototype street sign to replace the granite signs has been installed at Post Trail and Staked Plains Drive in Glenfield.

2009 – Annual meeting minutes

- DR Horton is also working on getting new street signs approved. This has been an ongoing item with the City for the past 3-4 years. We are trying to get the City to accept the street signs, so they can sign off on accepting the streets. Currently, the way they are installed, the poles do not breakaway in the event of an accident and the heavy granite sign blades are seen as a safety hazard. We are working on adapting the design and trying to get the City to accept it. We did a prototype of a sign and pole at the intersection of Staked Plains and Post Trail in Glenfield. It has a TX DoT approved breakaway base. DR Horton is working on another prototype that hopefully is not as expensive. We need to get all of this done before we can get a license agreement with the City of Austin.



Sam Wong

Real Estate Broker

A realtor who lives in Avery Ranch & knows Avery Ranch !

Buy / Sell / Lease

Sell your house on MLS for \$595, why for Sale by Owner?

www.sam-realty.com
Samcwong@gmail.com
(512)743-3039

Agent Realty

Avery Ranch HOA Members, You Can Join!

Lake Creek Branch

10135 Lake Creek Pkwy.

RBFCU

Join online – rbfcu.org
512-833-3300 | 1-800-580-3300

Federally insured by the NCUA

Go Green
Go Paperless

Sign up to receive *Home on the Ranch* in your inbox. Visit PEELinc.com for details.



BUSINESS CLASSIFIEDS

NOTIME FOR HOUSE CLEANING? Paying too much for house cleaning? Call Natalie's Maid Service for a free estimate at 512-771-3060. Affordable prices * Quality Work *Supplies Furnished * Bonded * Call now for a free estimate and \$15.00 off your first clean. www.nataliesmaids.com.

LESS THAN A PENNY: You can run a business classified in the Avery Ranch newsletter and reach all of Avery Ranch for only a penny per home. Call 512-263-9181 for details.

G&H FINANCIAL INSURANCE is a full service independent insurance agency, offering competitive Home Auto Flood Life insurance coverage with A-Rated carriers such as Safeco, Travelers, Hartford, Fidelity, Progressive with excellent service. Contact Kirit Mehta 512-671-8667 kiritm@gandhfinancial.com. I am BrushyCreek Resident.

HIGH QUALITY TRADITIONAL AND DIGITAL SOLUTIONS FOR YOUR PHOTOS RIGHT IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD. Nancy Hilliard, Creative Memories Consultant - mycmsite.com/nancyhilliard. 341-8887 / 470-3750. cmnancylee@hotmail.com. Want to make money from home while having fun? Ask me how! If you have photos, I have solutions!

CLASSIFIED ADS

BUSINESS CLASSIFIEDS (offering a service or product line for profit) are \$50, limit 40 words, please contact Peel, Inc. Sales Office @ 512-263-9181 or advertising@PEELinc.com.

PERSONAL CLASSIFIEDS (one time sell items, such as a used bike...) run at no charge to Avery Ranch residents, limit 30 words, please e-mail arnewsletter@hotmail.com.

Excellent K-12 College Prep Academics
Small Class Sizes • State-ranked Fine Arts and Athletics



March 8 & 24

Your family is invited! Tour our K-8 Campus (Speedway) or attend a Student Shadowing Day at our new High School Campus (Mopac/Braker).

RSVP admissions@hpbs.org



HYDE PARK BAPTIST SCHOOLS . HPBS.ORG
 EXCELLENCE. CHRIST-CENTERED. COMMUNITY. BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW.

G's DENTAL Studio

Family Dentistry

Dr. Hristina Kiprovska-Gavrilova, DDS
& Dr. Aleksandar Gavrilov, DDS

Grand OPENING!

12920 W. Parmer Lane
Cedar Park, TX, 78613
Phone: 512-410-7774



www.gsdenalstudio.com

THE
BEST
BURGER
— **IN THE** —
BEST CITY
— **IN THE** —
BEST STATE
— **IN THE** —
COUNTRY



SEE WHY AT MIGHTYFINEBURGERS.COM/THEBEST



ARBORWALK
Braker & Mopac N.

SUNSET VALLEY VILLAGE
Brodie & 290

UNIVERSITY OAKS
Next to IKEA

Think Spring - Then Think Avery Ranch Garden Tour

By Bob Beyer, AR Garden Tour Coordinator

Even though old man winter has already taken its toll on our gardens this winter, they will rebound. Don't let that discourage you. As we look forward to spring, it is time to dream about renovating and improving our gardens and landscaping in 2011 and one of the best ways to get fresh ideas is to visit other gardens in Avery Ranch, talk to the garden hosts, share experiences, get imaginative ideas, and as a pleasant fringe benefit – get to know your neighbors better.

Our annual Garden Tour in Avery Ranch, a sponsored activity of your Social Committee, will be Saturday, May 21st beginning at 10 AM. This will be the Tour's fifth year. The Tour is free and open to all Avery Ranch residents and guests. This year's theme will be "The Joy and Diversity of Home Gardening", to include gardens of all types, vegetable or ornamental. We can take up to ten gardens maximum. The Garden Tour is NOT a competition and all it takes to be on it is your willingness. We hope to get a wide variety of gardens from as many different

Native plants like Wheelers Sotol are totally winter hardy and not damaged in mid-teen temperatures.



neighborhoods as possible on the Tour.

All that is required is to open your yard and garden to your neighbors from 10 AM until 3 PM on Tour day be present to talk to them about it and your gardening experiences in Avery Ranch, and be prepared to have a lot of fun doing it! It's a toss-up as to who enjoys the Tour most, the visitors or the hosts. We also could use a few volunteers to help with the operation of the Tour, so if your yard isn't part of it, you can still be. Volunteers enjoy the benefit of a private pre-Tour and a celebratory after-party.

Take a look at the Avery Ranch Garden Tour web page at www.centraltexasgardening.info/artour.htm and see yards that have been on past Tours. You'll want to mark it on your calendar and be sure not miss it. Please call Bob Beyer, Tour Coordinator at 238-6732 for more information or to place your yard on the Tour. You can also email to txbeyer@austin.rr.com. The Tour includes informational booths by Master Gardeners and other organizations promoting environmentally friendly gardening who can offer advice and answer questions. We will have drawings for door prizes (nice donated plants and garden items), and a great opportunity to meet other residents interested in gardening in Avery Ranch.

Don't hesitate to get involved! Remember, there are two opportunities to help; volunteer your garden to be on the Tour, and volunteer to help with the Tour. Thanks to everyone in Avery Ranch for supporting this annual event.



Spring Special \$39.95*

**not valid with any other offers.*

**Cooling & Heating
Preventative Maintenance
Special. You Cannot
Beat this Deal!**

Have our expert technicians come out and give your cooling/heating system a full 15-point inspection for this incredible low price.

We Are Now Serving Your Neighborhood!



Serving Texas Homeowners for 35 Years!

512-805-2255 • 877-237-7535

www.BFStexas.com

TACLB32884E

HOME ON THE RANCH

Avery Ranch – Violation Report

Since making this violation report including photos of covenant violations to the homeowner, we have seen a dramatic decrease in the number of violations that proceed to the fining stage. It is our hope to raise awareness of exactly what constitutes a violation with this series of articles.

In many cases, residents aren't aware of what needs to be maintained, or if permission must be obtained to install that shed, playscape, trampoline or even to paint their home. If you have any questions regarding what you may need before undertaking a project, you can

always submit them via E-mail to gethelp@AveryRanchHOA.com, or you can post them in the Architectural forum at www.AveryRanchHOA.com. ADRC request forms are located under the FILES forum at www.AveryRanchHOA.com

Covenant Violations written in January 2011

- **Animals:** Typically these are excessive barking complaints. Easily remedied by owner attention. Homes are allowed 4 pets, 2 of which may be dogs.
- **Architectural:** Typically these are improvements that have no ADRC request on file, out of compliance sheds, shingles etc. Sheds can be no larger than 80 sq. ft. and no taller than 6 ft. They must be located within the building line setbacks on the plat. Shingles must be Weatherwood color or similar.
- **Improper Use:** Parking in the yard, or

use of home as other than single family residence

- **Fencing:** Broken boards or age causing the fence to fall into disrepair
- **Landscaping:** Bushes should remain trimmed, weeds taken care of and sidewalks free of overgrown grass
- **Rubbish & Debris:** Trash and Recycle bins must be stored out of street view.
- **Signs:** No commercial signage is allowed.
- **Unsightly:** Anything that appears to detract from the appearance of the neighborhood. Swings hanging from trees should be

removed when not in use.

- **Sports Equipment:** Permanently installed in-ground goals are allowed, portables are not. Please submit an ADRC request prior to purchase and installation. Back yard trampolines should be well-kept so as not to be unsightly to neighbors.
- **Vehicle Parking:** Overnight street parking is not permitted. Additionally, blocking a sidewalk while parking in the driveway is a city code violation that can result in a City of Austin citation.



SOWERS LAWN CARE

Service With Integrity

Top Quality Professional Service
Year Round Lawn Maintenance
Fertilizer and Weed Control Programs
Fire Ant, Lawn Pest and Disease Control
Aeration Services
Hedge Trimming and Mulch Installation
No Riding Mowers = Cleanest Cut, No Ruts

Let a local company earn your business...give us a call!



(512) 779-9988

www.SowersLawnCare.com



A Winter Garden Needn't Be Boring

by Bob Beyer, Travis County Master Gardener

The lawn has turned brown, the perennials are sleeping underground, trees have lost their leaves, nothing is blooming, and garden activity has come to a winter halt. What could be more depressing to a gardener! Well, that's one way of looking at it, but let me offer another perspective. Winter has its own unique show and advantages. You just need to stroll the yard and take a closer look.

Those features that come into prominence during winter include the predominance of evergreen plants, exfoliating bark, contorted twigs and branching structure, visually interesting bark, special winter colorations, persistent berries and seed pods, ornamental grass plumage, and prominent buds. In fact, these features are not seen in the warmer weather prime time garden, are actually photogenic, and can keep the excitement of gardening going all year round.

Evergreen plants such as hollies, hardy palms and cycads, conifers, loropetalum, TX Mountain Laurel, hardy agaves and yuccas, viburnum, abelia, eleagnus, hardy citrus, just to name a few, add color to the winter garden, especially if variegated. Some plants are semi-evergreen depending on how low temperatures fall, such as roses, dwarf pomegranate, barbados cherry. Green is a color to be enjoyed during the winter months.

Exfoliating bark can be very intriguing such as that seen on varieties of Crepe Myrtles, Chinese Elm, and Sycamore as good examples. Exfoliating means a peeling away of a layer of smooth bark to reveal a deeper color beneath.

Contorted twigs and unusual branching structures are eye catching in winter and not well seen during growth season when leaves hide these features. Examples are the contorted varieties of Mulberry, Hazelnut and Willow.

In central Texas, you need not go far to see unusual bark. Just look at our native and local Bur Oak with its rugged and craggy bark. Branching patterns seen on "naked" trees range from the rigid, rough look of the Bur Oak to the fine textured, compact, smooth look of the Mexican Plum. Some trees and shrubs have winged bark. Bark on a

tree is definitely an ornamental feature not to be overlooked.

Special winter colorations can be seen on many yuccas, junipers, arbovitae, and other conifers. This is usually a bronze, pinkish, or reddening coloration brought about by cold temperatures, which, in effect, reduces photosynthesis during this dormant period of the year.

Persistent berries and seed pods are common among many central Texas plants. The Yaupon Holly, although evergreen also, holds its bright red berries throughout the winter to provide food for many of our local birds, and the deciduous Possumhaw holly does the same - red berries lining bare branches throughout the winter. The Crepe Myrtles cling to their seed pods throughout the winter, even after the open and disperse the seed. Roses going dormant display colorful seed pods known as hips.

Grass plumage can be very beautiful adding a unique texture to the winter garden, so don't be too quick to prune back those dead clumps of grass. That can be done in early spring. Enjoy the seed plumage while it lasts. Muhlenbergias and Miscanthus are particularly beautiful and maintain their plumage well into winter.

Prominent pubescent buds can be seen on deciduous Magnolias during winter. They form during fall, persist during winter and remind us that spring won't be far away. The plants in the Magnolia family, whether evergreen or deciduous display this feature well.

Winter sometimes produces unusual happenings in the garden. Often a bulbous plant will get confused by changing weather patterns and pop up unexpectedly or a flower bud will open in warm weather thinking it is spring already. A walk through the yard and garden in winter can be interesting. Like any other time of the year, there can always be unexpected surprises.

If you plan your garden and landscape to provide for seasonal variations and ensure that there will be plantings to inspire you regardless of the season, your gardening joy will be never ending. Every season has its rewards including the dormant season of winter.

FINE EYEWEAR

Eyecare and Sunglass Boutique

Higher Quality. Better Vision.™

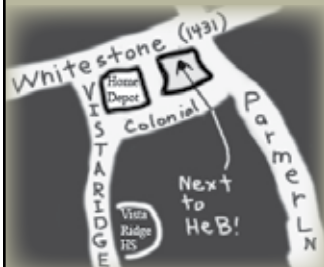
*Mark your calendars, its time for Sun,
Summer and Sunglasses!*

**The 6th Annual
Fine Eyewear Sunglasses Event.**

**Sat April 9th
Sat April 23rd**

**Stop by for this special showing - hundreds to try on!
Up to 30% OFF! Visit website late March for details.**

2800 E. Whitestone Blvd Suite 210 • 512.260.9779 • www.FineEyewear.Net





**JOIN US FOR GOLF
AND A GREAT CAUSE!**

DATE: Wednesday, April 13th
11:00 am Registration - 1:00 pm Start
LOCATION: Flintrock Falls Golf Course
FORMAT: 4-person scramble
COST: \$165 per golfer*

*Includes lunch, dinner, shirt & goodie bag

Please join us for the 3rd annual
Colin's Hope Classic charity golf tournament
and help prevent childhood drownings.

Special Guest Emcee will be **Bob Fonseca**
of the 93.7 KLBJ FM Dudley & Bob Morning Show

Register online now at:
www.colinshope.org
Email: alissa.magrum@colinshope.org



WWW.COLINSHOPE.ORG

**NOT AVAILABLE
ONLINE**

Do You Have Reason to Celebrate?

We want to hear from you! Email arnewsletter@hotmail.com
to let the community know!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Cycling from Austin to Alaska to Fight Cancer

My name is Will Ragan and this summer I am cycling from Austin, Texas to Anchorage, Alaska to fight cancer.

Yes, you read that correctly. I am not crazy, but I am a member of the 2011 LiveSTRONG Texas 4000 for Cancer cycling team. We are a group of fifty-six students from the University of Texas at Austin who is working hard to raise money and awareness for the fight against cancer. My team and I will embark upon a 4,500 mile trek across North America in hopes of inspiring communities across the nation to help in the battle against cancer. Starting June 4th, 2011, we will cycle through various communities, make cancer awareness presentations, and educate people on cancer prevention and early detection. By sharing our experiences and enthusiasm, we will work to foster hope among those who are personally suffering from this disease. Additionally, we hope to contribute over \$400,000 to cancer research with the American Cancer Society and MD Anderson Cancer Center.

Each rider is responsible for raising \$4,500. Please consider being a part of our group and sharing in our enthusiasm by making a much appreciated donation. Besides helping in a meaningful cause, your donation will be entirely tax-deductible as we are a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The proceeds from our event will go towards research for finding a cure for our nation's second leading cause of death. If you would like to make a monetary contribution to support our cause, please write a check payable Texas 4000 with my name (Will Ragan) on the "payment for" line and send it to 901 S. Mopac Expressway, Barton Oaks Plaza One, Suite 300, Austin, Texas 78746. Our website, www.texas4000.org, contains more information or contact me with any questions that you may have. If you prefer to donate online, you can do so from our team website by clicking on "Donate" and then the "Make a Donation" button and through PayPal, you can make a donation with your credit card. Don't forget: Put "Will Ragan" in the "Purpose" field, so I can receive credit for your donation. Anything you decide to donate will be greatly appreciated - no amount is too small.

THE TAX CENTER

930 South Bell Blvd, Ste 306
Cedar Park, TX 78613

Personal and small businesses tax professionals. Open year-round, since 1986.
Let us take the worry out of doing your taxes!

\$25 OFF
NEW CLIENT SPECIAL

We look forward to serving our neighbors in Avery Ranch!
Joe & Patty Hoenigman

512-257-7700



ROUND ROCK New Neighbors Meeting

*March 9th, 10:15 AM
at the Fern Bluff
Community Center
7320 Wyoming Springs Drive,
Round Rock.*

- Following a business meeting and a catered lunch, a member of the club, Jennifer Lucas will speak on the topic of Container Gardening 101. Come and join us for food, fun and fresh ideas. You will want to come back again. For further information, visit our website. www.rrnewneighbors.org
- For Lunch reservations (\$12) call Jackie Waldecker: 255-7519 by Friday, March 4th.



**Primrose School
of Round Rock
512.733.2020**

**Primrose School
of Round Rock at Forest Creek
512.828.5777**



Primrose Schools
The Leader in Educational Child Care®

**Accreditation
you can trust.**

- ☒ Proprietary *Balanced Learning*® curriculum
- ☒ Music, Spanish, Computer Technology

Each Primrose School is privately owned and operated. Primrose Schools, Balanced Learning, and The Leader in Educational Child Care are trademarks of Primrose School Franchising Company. ©2010 Primrose School Franchising Company. All rights reserved.

What's on your
to-do list this
month?



Change Your World
sundays @ 10 am

THE RADIANT CHURCH
WATCH LIVE services Sunday mornings
or view any time at www.ghbc.org

Sunday Morning Schedule

10:00 - Worship
8:30 & 11:30 - Bible Life Groups (all ages)

Great Hills Baptist Church

10500 Jollyville Road . Austin, Texas 78759
512.343.7763

Austin Newcomers Club March Luncheon

Austin Newcomers is a social organization dedicated to introducing residents to the Austin Community and giving them the opportunity to meet and make new friends. Join us at our monthly luncheon as well as take the opportunity to learn about and become involved in many varied fun Interest groups.

• Time: 11:00 AM Social - 12 Noon Luncheon

• Date: March 16th

• For Luncheon Reservations email: LuncheonDirector@AustinNewcomers.com or Diane Israelson 512-467-4979

• For other Newcomers information visit
www.austinnewcomers.com or call 512-314-5100

Leadership Austin

Central Texas is rapidly changing, Austin is doubling in size every 20 years and the demographics of the City are shifting. As the City grows and changes, there is a need for qualified, engaged leaders who can help solve the challenging problems facing the City.

Leadership Austin is a non-profit organization where people of diverse backgrounds and experience come together to learn about civic leadership; engage in meaningful dialogue about important public issues; and, collaborate to make a difference in Central Texas. It seeks out and prepares leaders for positions of public and private decision-making and fosters community involvement and the exercise of civic responsibility. Since 1979, thousands of individuals have graduated from its programs enhancing their leadership skills.

Of the many programs offered by this non-profit, one named Experience Austin specifically deals with Austin. It provides an interactive orientation to the City and introduces participants to Austin's issues, icons and institutions, and also to the people actively involved in creating solutions. The program includes behind the scenes tours and introductions to leaders in local government, as well as economic, education, health care and the arts and entertainment communities. This program is geared to those who are new to Austin or want to become more deeply engaged with all that Austin has to offer.

Heather McKissick, President & CEO of Leadership Austin will speak to us about the organization's programs and will highlight key issues impacting the City. She will also tell us how we can become more involved. Heather is an organizational development and communication specialist with specific expertise in leadership development, change management and workgroup facilitation.

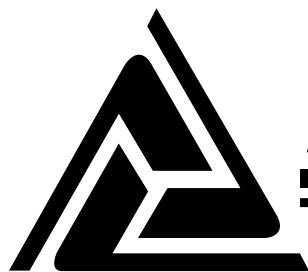
She has extensive experience in a variety of inter-related fields including, organizational development (former Director, Organizational Development and Education, Seton Healthcare Network); communication and employee relations in a public utility (Lower Colorado River Authority); global communications in the private sector (Motorola); and, education and curriculum development (former Assistant Dean, St. Edward's University).



512.302.5555

twitter.com/austintelco

WWW.ATFCU.ORG



AUSTIN TELCO

FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

21 Metro Locations • Free Checking • 250+ Free ATMs

Low-Rate
Mortgage Loans



Contact our Mortgage Specialist, Mark Crowley, at 302.5555 x7388.

3 Round Rock Locations
Louis Henna - La Frontera
University Oaks

If you live, work or worship in the 5 county Austin Metro area

YOU are **ELIGIBLE**
to **JOIN**

Home Equity Loans

4.09%*
5 Year
Fixed Rate

4.39%*
10 Year
Fixed Rate

4.59%*
15 Year
Fixed Rate

4.99%*
20 Year
Fixed Rate

Automobile Loans

New Vehicles

2.85%*
Up to
66 Months

Refinance or Used Vehicles

3.35%*
Up to
60 Months

Commercial Real Estate Loans

20 Year Amortization

4.75%**
5 Year
Fixed Rate

4.99%**
7 Year
Fixed Rate

Jumbo Certificate of Deposit

Minimum Deposit of \$95,000 Required

1.26%***
12 Months

1.66%***
24 Months

Money Market Account

Minimum Daily Balance of \$2,000 Required

0.90%***
\$75,000
to \$124,999

1.06%***
\$125,000
and Above



*Annual Percentage Rate. All rates are expressed "as low as". Actual rate may vary depending on credit qualifications. **Rate applies to 1st lien commercial real estate loans with a loan to value of 80% or less; construction/development loan rates/terms may vary. ***Annual Percentage Yield. Penalties for early withdrawal may apply. Rates and terms are subject to change without notice. Austin Telco Federal Credit Union is federally insured to at least \$250,000 per member by the National Credit Union Administration.

HOME ON THE RANCH

Align Your Work Values with Your Career

By Amy Wolfgang, M.Ed.

What is your ideal job? How do you make that determination? Many people are unhappy with their current career but are unsure what will make them happy. When individuals want to understand why they are unhappy in their current career the first area to examine is their work values.

Work values are characteristics of the activities and opportunities in a job that help make performing the job a satisfying experience. Examples of work values include: variety in work tasks, job security, ability to travel, recognition, etc. When you are evaluating your own career or making a decision on a new career, it is important for you to assess how your work values align with the career you are considering.

Action Steps

Identify Your Work Values

Before you can begin evaluating your work values, first you must identify them. What are the top 5 – 10 work values that are important to your career satisfaction? Sometimes it is hard to think of what we need, although it can be easy to identify what we do not like in a career. Think back to those times that you may have been upset

about your career situation. For example, the time when you did a lot of work on a project and no one recognized it. This could mean that recognition is an important work value to you. What if you are unhappy in your current career because every day you complete the same tasks as you did the week before? This could mean that variety is an important work value for you.

To get you started, here are samples of some work values that might be important to you:

- Variety of Work
- Autonomy
- Flexible Hours
- Education/Training Opportunities
- Workplace Environment
- Status of Job
- Pay/Salary
- Recognition/Praise
- Opportunities for Advancement
- Socialization/Interaction

(Continued on Page 19)

TIME TO SELL YOUR HOME?

Tried To Sell Your Home?

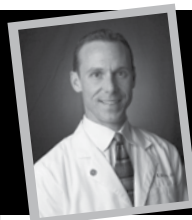
OUR TEAM OFFERS:

- Educate & advise clients in pricing home correctly to receive Top Dollar
- Visit comparable homes to see competition first hand to aid in pricing
- Staging and presentation guidance to maximize appeal to potential buyers
- Constant communication during the “entire” sales process to keep you informed
- Knowledge is power - Taking the time to educate our clients means YOU are always in the know!

Don Groff, REALTOR

512.669.5599 | SOLD@Avery-Ranch.com
www.AustinRealEstateScene.com

Free Home Valuation Report at:
www.Avery-Ranch.com



**CEDAR PARK
EYE CARE**



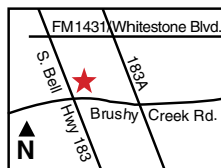
Dr. Dennis R. McCarty - Therapeutic Optometrist

- Diabetic Eye Exams
- Blade-Free Custom iLASIK comanagement
- Routine Eye Exams
- Dry Eye Treatment & Management
- New Bifocal Contact Lenses
- Designer Eyewear
- Eye Infections & Minor Injuries
- Financing for products and iLASIK available through Care Credit.
- EyeScreen allows us to examine your retina without dilation drops for all ages!

**Online scheduling
now available
through our website!**

WWW.CEDARPAREYECARE.COM

*We are pleased to offer non-Rx polarized lenses for any frame for \$99!
Some restrictions apply. Call or come in for details!*



Cedar Park Eye Care - 302 S. Bell



249-0808



(Just N. of Buttercup Creek Blvd; behind Dominos)

WWW.CEDARPAREYECARE.COM

Align Your Work Values with Your Career -

(Continued from Page 18)

Rank Your Work Values

Now that you have identified the items that are important to you in a career, you will need to rank them in order of importance. No one job may be able to meet all of your work values, however, a job that is a good match for you should be able to meet your most important ones.

Evaluate Your Current Job

Now that you know which values are the most important, ask yourself this question: Is your current job meeting your work values? If it's not, don't worry. It does not mean that this isn't the right career for you. It does mean that some things need to change in your job for you to achieve greater satisfaction. This may provide a great opportunity for you to speak with your supervisor about ways some of your work values can be met.

For example, if you value creativity, but always seem to be completing the tasks rather than helping to develop the solutions, talk to your supervisor about potential projects you can assist with on the creative side. If you value learning, then identify areas that seem interesting to you and ask your supervisor about helping in those areas so you can learn new skills. These tactics are also a great way to show your company that you are committed and capable.

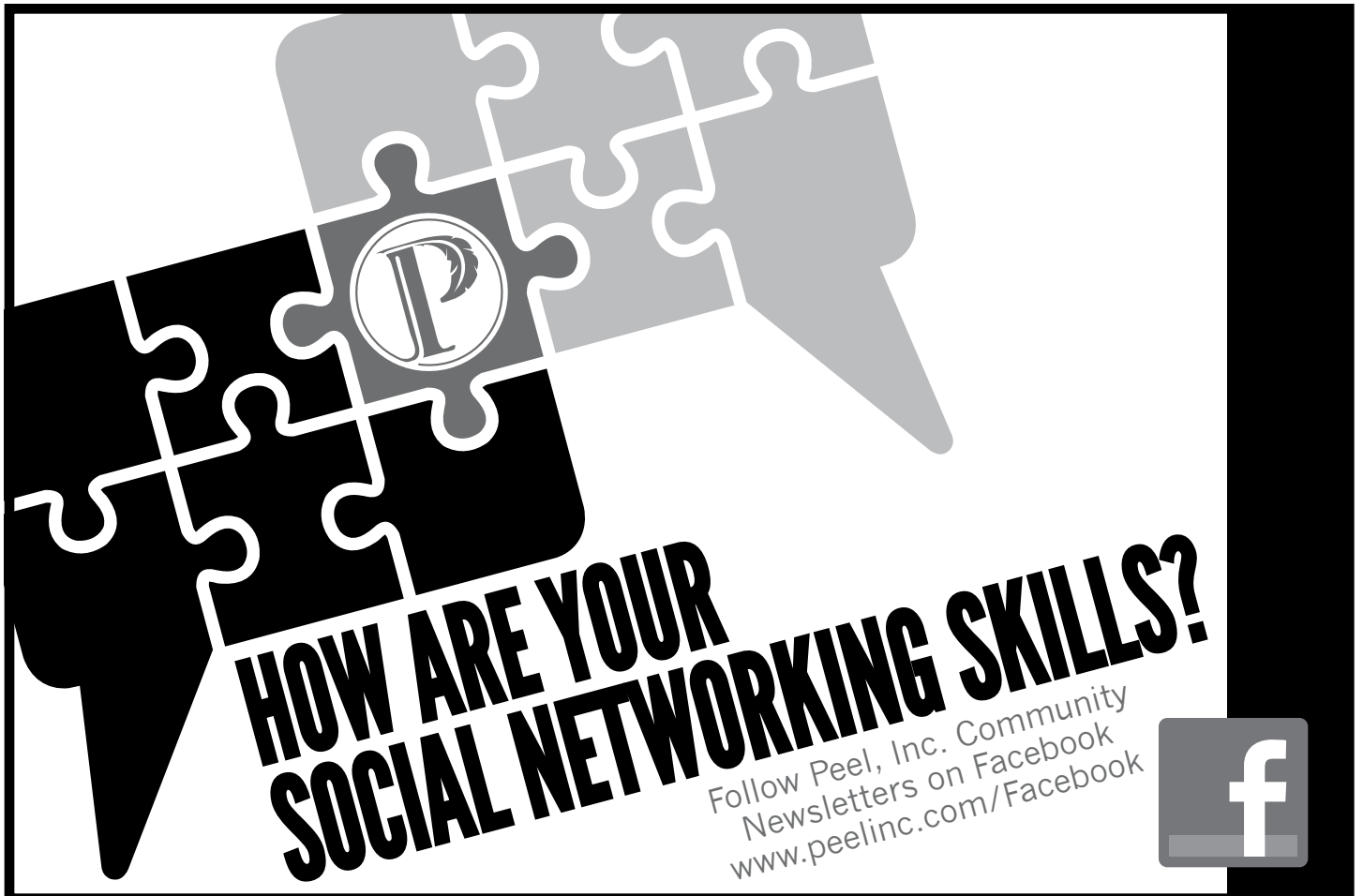
At no time will any source be allowed to use the Home on The Ranch Newsletter contents, or loan said contents, to others in anyway, shape or form, nor in any media, website, print, film, e-mail, electrostatic copy, fax, or etc. for the purpose of solicitation, commercial use, or any use for profit, political campaigns, or other self amplification, under penalty of law without written or expressed permission from Peel, Inc. The information in the newsletter is exclusively for the private use of Peel, Inc. and the Avery Ranch Homeowners Association.

DISCLAIMER: Articles and ads in this newsletter express the opinions of their authors and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of Peel, Inc. or its employees. Peel, Inc. is not responsible for the accuracy of any facts stated in articles submitted by others. The publisher also assumes no responsibility for the advertising content with this publication. All warranties and representations made in the advertising content are solely that of the advertiser and any such claims regarding its content should be taken up with the advertiser.

* The publisher assumes no liability with regard to its advertisers for misprints or failure to place advertising in this publication except for the actual cost of such advertising.


* Although every effort is taken to avoid mistakes and/or misprints, the publisher assumes no responsibility for any errors of information or typographical mistakes, except as limited to the cost of advertising as stated above or in the case of misinformation, a printed retraction/correction.

* Under no circumstances shall the publisher be held liable for incidental or consequential damages, inconvenience, loss of business or services, or any other liabilities from failure to publish, or from failure to publish in a timely manner, except as limited to liabilities stated above.



**HOW ARE YOUR
SOCIAL NETWORKING SKILLS?**

Follow Peel, Inc. Community
Newsletters on Facebook
www.peelinc.com/Facebook





PEEL, INC.

308 Meadowlark St.
Lakeway, TX 78734-4717

PRSR STD
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
PEEL, INC.

AR

ADVERTISE
*Right on mark
for your
target audience*
Call Today 512-263-9181.

PEEL, INC.
community newsletters

www.PEELinc.com
512-263-9181