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Requirements for submission:

- Must have been taken in Steiner Ranch
- Be of High Resolution
- Prefer "portrait" orientation

We'd love to have something that pertains to this time of the year in some way, such as a Thanksgiving family gathering, a pick-up football game, or the beautiful Steiner Ranch landscape. Our November 2011 issue submittal deadline is October 6th and photos should be submitted electronically by the deadline date to Sharon Adams at sharon@steinerranchhoa.org.

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The Ranch Record is mailed monthly to all Steiner Ranch residents. Residents, community groups, churches, etc. are welcome to submit information about their organizations in the newsletter. Personal news for the Stork Report, Teenage Job Seekers, recipes, special celebrations, and birthday announcements are also welcome.

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Benefiting Dell Children's Hospital

Oct 31 – Halloween Event – Town Square Pavilion

Nov 5 – Camping on the Ranch

Nov 12 – Holiday Sales Event and Santa Pictures

All Events are tentative and subject to change or cancel, so please check monthly issues of the Ranch Record, the Steiner Ranch website at www.steinerranchhoa.org and Facebook (Steiner Ranch Social Committee) for updates.



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2nd Annual Pumpkin Patch in Steiner Ranch

Come to the John Simpson Park on Sunday, October 16th from 11:00am – 5:00pm and pick-out your Halloween Pumpkin!

Event hosted by the Four Points Chapter Circle of Friends. All proceeds benefit Dell Children's Medical Center.

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This year's Steiner Ranch Concert in the Park drew thousands to a Steiner-style end of summer celebration. From the foam-laden kids playing in the Games-2-U Foam Pit to the hip-hop and classic rock music of Matt G and Red Alert to the new Viper Strike cheer led by Vandegrift students and faculty, everyone had a fantastic time!

Concert day is a celebration of the community spirit within Steiner Ranch and the Four Points area. The event enables all of us to get out and talk with one another and share our talents and abilities in a fun atmosphere. It is a place where we can be entertained by local performers; learn more about local businesses and groups, and where we can gain a view into the experience of what it means to be a public servant. Based on stories people have shared, it is also a time to meet new friends and fellowship with old.

This year's event was especially unique as it achieved a milestone, the ability to give back in a significant way to a local individual or organization in need. Through the generosity of Steiner Ranch Dermatology, River Place Country Club, HEB, the Austin Toros basketball team, and Steiner Ranch residents, the local non-profit Hand-to-Hold was able to receive funds critical to sustaining their mission of assisting families with pre-term infants or those born with special needs. In these economic times when funding is thin or runs dry, it is comforting to know that the community can come together and rally for those in need. And that is the heart of a Steiner-style celebration and something worth doing over and over again. On to 2012, and beyond!



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Monday, October 31st from 5:00 – 7:00 pm
Towne Square Community Pavilion

We will have kids' games (a ring toss, dart ball, milk bottle toss and a 3-in-1 Activity game) with some fun Halloween prizes and everyone will receive a pumpkin reflector necklace (while supplies last) that will keep the kids safe while trick-or-treating later that evening. Again this year will be the VERY popular petting zoo! This is designed to appeal primarily to kids from pre-school to elementary school, but anyone is welcome.

Admission to the event is FREE! Pre-registration is not required. We need help! Are you a Girl Scout, Boy Scout, member of the National Junior Honor Society or National Honor Society, then this would be a great way to earn "service points". If you can help run one of the games or help with the craft activity, please contact Sharon Adams, Community Coordinator at sharon@steinerranchhoa.org.



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Young at Heart is an informal group of Steiner Ranch residents who are in the 50+ age group which plans various activities that provide opportunities to meet others with common interests. We have parties, informal wine socials, and impromptu get-togethers and one Special Event each year (this year it's the BBQ on October 29th). There are also Bridge Groups, Walking Groups, a Book Club and more. From these social occasions, friendships have developed and other groups have formed.

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club meets on the third Monday of every month at 1:30 PM at Cups and Cones. This month we will meet on October 17th. Please contact Maureen Michel (mmichel17@att.net) or Beverly France (bevfrance@aol.com) for information about the book being discussed or if you have any questions. Our discussions are quite spirited and most interesting.

BRIDGE CLUB

The Ladies Daytime Party Bridge Group plays on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at members' homes. Those who are interested in playing or subbing, please contact Nancy Harger (n_harger@yahoo.com) or Ellen Kendrick (ellenken@sbcglobal.net) for details.

LADIES LUNCHING OUT

Once a month a group of the Young at Heart women meet for lunch at a local restaurant. On Thursday, October 20th we will be having lunch at Santa Catarina in Lakeway. Please be sure to RSVP by October 18th so we're sure to reserve enough places. For details, please send an email to steinerranchyoungatheart@gmail.com or call Dottie Thoms at 512-531-9360.

LADIES GOLF

A Ladies Golf Group is being formed. If you are interested in getting more information or joining, please send an email to steinerranchyoungatheart@gmail.com and put Ladies Golf in the subject line.

MEXICAN TRAIN

Enjoy a lighthearted game of Mexican Train (Dominos) on the first Wednesday of every month at 1:00 PM. We play at the homes of our members and can usually only accommodate eight players. Experience isn't necessary; we'll teach you. If you would like to play on Wednesday, October 5th, please RSVP to steinerranchyoungatheart@gmail.com and put Mexican Train in the subject line. You will be contacted with location information.

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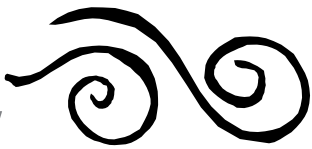
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Young at Heart Events- (Continued from Page 12)

WALKING GROUP

The Walking Group has been walking early on Tuesday and Thursday mornings this summer to avoid the heat. As the cooler weather arrives, walking activities will increase. If you would like to walk with one of the groups, please email steinerranchyoungatheart@gmail.com with Walking in the subject line. You'll be contacted with details.

To make it easy for people to connect with others with similar interests, a roster of all Young at Heart members is being prepared. It will include names, addresses, contact information and interests (bridge, golf, book club, hiking, boating, dining out, etc) and will be available to all Young at Heart members. If you want your information included, please email steinerranchyoungatheart@gmail.com with the word Roster in the subject line.

If you are interested in learning more about Young at Heart activities and about our informal social events, add your name to our email list. Just send your name, phone number and email address to steinerranchyoungatheart@gmail.com. Everyone on the email list will be sent information about upcoming events, locations, etc.

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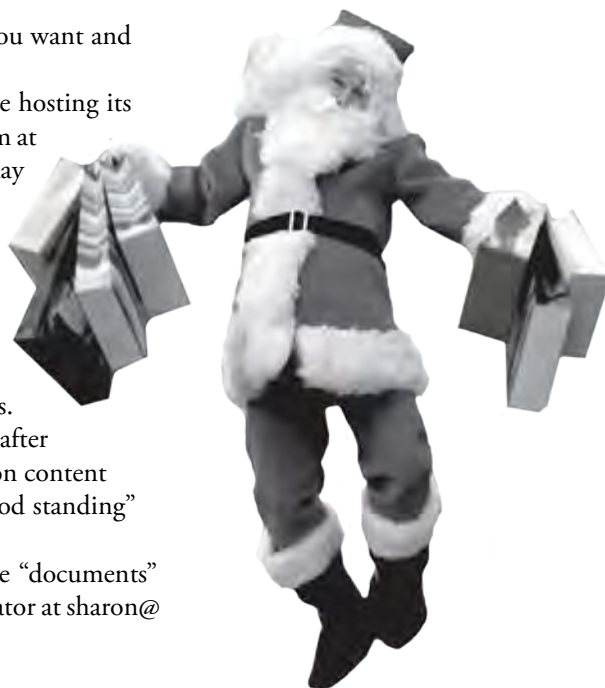
Enjoy Holiday Shopping and visit Santa!

Santa Claus will be here from 10:00am – 1:00pm for you to tell him what you want and get your picture taken!

To get you in the Holiday spirit, the Steiner Ranch Social Committee will be hosting its Annual Holiday Sales event on Saturday, November 12th from 10:00am - 2:00pm at the Towne Square Community Center. You can come and get all of your Holiday shopping done without ever leaving Steiner Ranch.

Want to be a Vendor? Do you make fabulous jewelry? Are you an artist? Do you have a home based business or service? Then become a vendor and show Steiner Ranch what you can offer. Three areas are dedicated for vendor space. Vendor spaces inside the Community Center are available at a fee of \$60.00 and spaces outside in the covered pavilion & uncovered veranda are \$40.00. (Heaters are provided). Spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration fees must be paid to reserve your space, and no refunds will be made after November 1st. Steiner Ranch reserves the right to deny any application based on content or similarities to/duplication of products or services. Residents must be in "good standing" with the Association.

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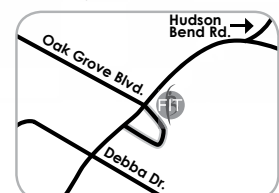
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Steiner ABLE Team (Continued from Page 16)

Mary herself was energetic and helped when she could be despite her advanced age, Parkinson's disease and rheumatoid arthritis. She offered the children popsicles and adults coffee. Mary's home was built by her father years ago. Over the years the house had sustained significant leaking from the roof. Consequently the house had extreme water damage causing the walls, ceilings and floors to warp and bow. Black mold was found thick behind dry wall. A previous work team had replaced the roof. The ABLE team was given the task to replace walls, repair holes in floor, repair large front porch and restore it to an improved condition.

ABLE replaced the worst of the porch floor boards and ceiling boards. They chipped and scrapped all old paint. Kelly Zermeno, Brenda Becker, Adam Newman and Ryan Zermeno took an active role in this huge task. All of the ABLE children took turns breaking up the old deteriorating cement stairs leading to porch and cemented in new stairs with guidance from Kelly Zermeno. Jake Walton and Zachary Becker especially enjoyed using a sledge hammer for the first time! Conner Newman, age 7 and the youngest member of the team, was quoted as saying, "Working is fun but when you are doing it for someone else, it makes you feel so good." The ABLE team also painted a rocking chair and rocking bench. Kelly Zermeno hung 5 pots of flowers on the porch to add color. Paige was the master mind behind the dry wall replacement and hanging inside the house. Caution and protection was taken regarding the black mold. Large wasp nests were removed along with many other tasks. The whole team was lead by Charles Denham and Don Becker to have a very successful trip. The team purchased the porch flowers, new bedding including egg crate mattress, mattress pads, sheets, pillows and comforter and a special gift basket for Mary as a final gift. It was a tearful goodbye when the team left. Promises were made to write and keep in touch.

More information about ABLE, Assisting Better Living Everywhere can be found at www.ablemission.org or you can contact the ABLE Austin chapter president, Erin Newman at erinknewman@gmail.com.

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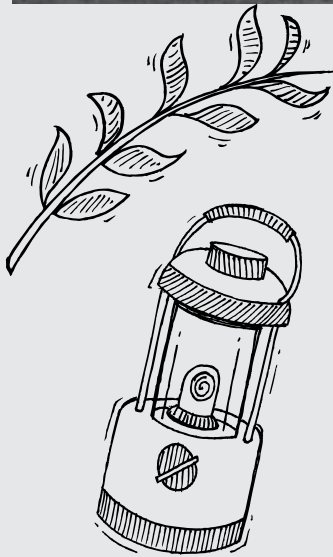
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Camping on the Ranch

All families are invited to go camping right here in Steiner Ranch!



The Steiner Ranch Social Committee is hosting Camping on the Ranch so you can spend the night with your kids for some great "Ranch Style" fun.

When: Saturday November 12th - 6:00pm

Where: Towne Square Community Fields

Mark your calendars for Camping on the Ranch. This has to be one of the most popular and fun events the social committee does. Pull out your tents and come spend a night under the stars with your kids. Camping takes place at TSCC in the fields. The entire family is welcome however this has become hugely popular as a father/kid event.

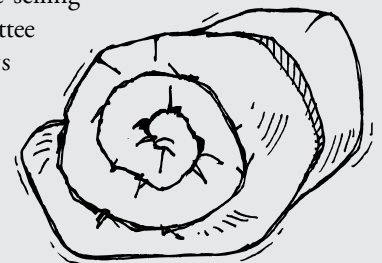
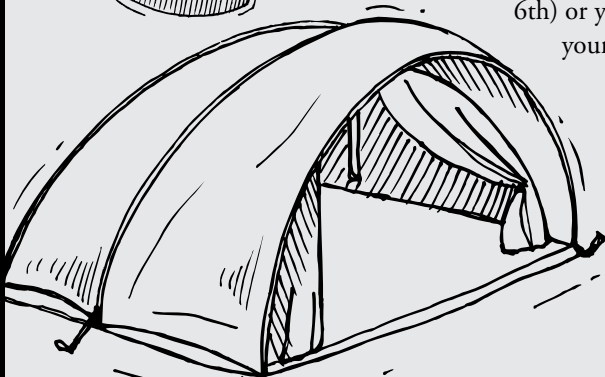
Haven't tried camping with your kiddos yet? What a great place to try it, just minutes from the house but an adventure away.

Texas Rib King will be serving up BBQ with all the fixens for you to enjoy!

You can either purchase this dinner by November 6th for \$10 each (\$12 after November 6th) or you can bring your own picnic dinner for you and your kids. Register your camp site by November 6th online at www.steineranchhoa.org.

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TRAILS UPDATE

I write this trails update while waiting to get back into the neighborhood after the recent fires. For some of us it was a minor inconvenience not being able to get into our homes. For others the effects were more significant, from having stranded pets for multiple days to the worst of all scenarios, having homes damaged or completely destroyed. I wish those families the best throughout the process of rebuilding. One thing is certain, though, based on Facebook posts the last few days, the Steiner Community is very close and supportive, and residents who were more fortunate than others are ready to assist in any way they can.

As far as the trails go, there is not much to report at this time. In the wake of the recent fires, though, we need to be cognizant of riding, running or hiking on the trails in the affected areas. The most significant issue that we face is erosion due to lack of vegetation. Per the news reports I've been seeing over the last few days, it appears the Headlands Trail and the Serralluta Trail were probably the most affected. Throughout the month the Trails Committee will take a survey of all the damaged trails and report back what we find.

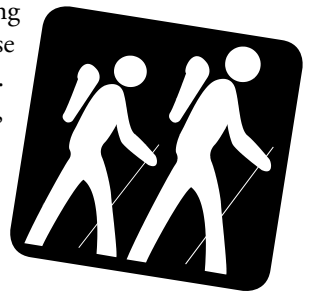
On a happier note, I'd like to thank Brian Talbot for a job well done on his Eagle Scout Project. Brian took on the responsibility, with the support of Rich Keith and the Trails Committee, to install new trail signs throughout the community. I'm sure a lot of you

have already seen these signs, which are more typical of what you might find in our local State and Federal parks. They are also more informative from the previous signage along the trails, providing the trail name, the length of the trail and where exits to the community are located. Brian has also taken a GPS coordinate for every sign post and updated our trails database. This database has been provided to EMS so they have the ability to respond more quickly to those who may need assistance while out on the trails. The Trails Committee is also in the process of using this updated information to create new and improved maps of the trails system. After we have finalized the maps, I will inform everyone where they may obtain either an electronic copy of hard copy for their use. Thank you, Brian!!

We continue to have interest from other Scouts to provide community service by repairing existing trails or constructing new trails. As these projects develop I will provide updates. If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact me by phone or email.

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Steiner Ranch Fall Program For Adults & Children

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Sportball
Tap/Ballet/Hip Hop (*some classes full*)
Gymnastics
Karate
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TEEN/ADULT PROGRAMS

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Tennis
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For questions or to obtain more information, please contact Sharon Adams at 512-266-7553 or sharon@steinerranchhoa.org.

American Red Cross Babysitter Training Course

9:00am – 4:00pm

\$50 per person

This is a very popular class, so sign up early for any of the dates below!

Classes for 2011

October 22

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Steiner Ranch Ladies Tennis Fall Kick-Off



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Over forty ladies attended the event to shop and socialize off the court. Refreshments and door prizes were provided by local businesses.

Attendees learned about playing and group lesson opportunities. In addition to league play, there are Mixed Doubles and Ladies Doubles social nights. The social nights allow you to play in a round robin format and meet other neighborhood

players. For more information on the social nights, please visit the online tennis court reservation calendar.

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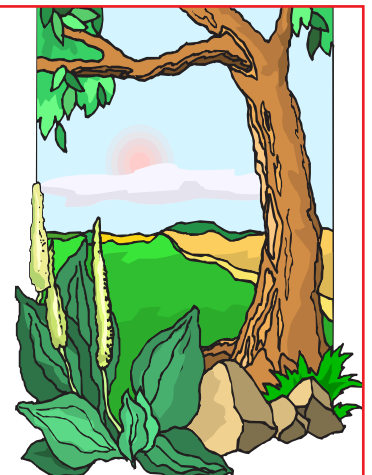
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2 Till 4:00pm – Scrap-A-Thon (TSCC)	3 6:30pm – FREE Yoga (TSCC)	4 7:45am – Free Pilates (TSCC) 6:30pm – Facility Committee Meeting (TSCC) 6:30pm – 8:30pm – Culinary from France (BMCC)	5 7:00pm – Trails Committee Meeting (BMCC)	6 1:00pm – YAH Mexican Train 7:00pm – New Owner Orientation (TSCC)	7 7:00pm – 9:00pm – Pajama Party (TSCC)	8
9 	10 LISD School Holiday 6:30pm – FREE Yoga (TSCC)	11 7:45am – Free Pilates (TSCC) 9:30am – Social Committee Meeting (Cups & Cones)	12	13 YAH Bridge Club 7:00pm – Tax Free Retirement (BMCC)	14	15
16 8:00am – 5:00pm – Pumpkin Patch (JS Park)	17 6:30pm – FREE Yoga (TSCC)	18 7:45am – Free Pilates (TSCC) 1:30pm – YAH Book Club (Cups & Cones) 7:00pm – 9:00pm – Get a Flawless Face (TSCC)	19	20	21	22 9:00am – 5:00pm – American Red Cross Babysitting Class (TSCC)
23 	24 6:30pm – FREE Yoga (TSCC)	25 7:45am – Free Pilates (TSCC)	26	27 YAH Bridge Club 6:00pm – SRROA Board of Directors Meeting (TSCC)	28	29 7:00pm – YAH BBQ and Texas Two-Step
30	31 5:00pm – 7:00pm – Children's Halloween Event (JS Park) 6:30pm – FREE Yoga (TSCC)	3:30pm – SRMA Board of Directors Meeting				



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:45am – Free Pilates (TSCC) 6:30pm – Facilities Committee Meeting (TSCC)	2	3	4	5 6:00pm – Camping on the Ranch (TS Park)
 6	7 6:30pm – FREE Yoga (TSCC)	8 7:45am – Free Pilates (TSCC) 9:30am – Social Committee Meeting (Cups and Cones)	9 1:00pm – YAH Mexican Train	10 7:00pm – New Owner Orientation (TSCC)	11 7:00pm – 9:00pm – Pajama Party (TSCC)	12 Neighborhood Sports World Cup (TS & BM Parks) 10:00am – 2:00pm – Holiday Sales Event and Santa Photos (TSCC/Pav)
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- Sundays at 6:30 a.m. until 7:45 a.m.
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2. Join U. S. Masters Swimming! To be eligible to compete in masters' meets, to get a great magazine, and for HOA insurance purposes, go to the United

States Masters swimming website, www.usms.org/reg and join our team Red Giants Masters swimming. You can print your card immediately and take a copy to the HOA office.

3. Fill out the Program Registration form at the HOA office, provide a copy your USMS card and submit payment!

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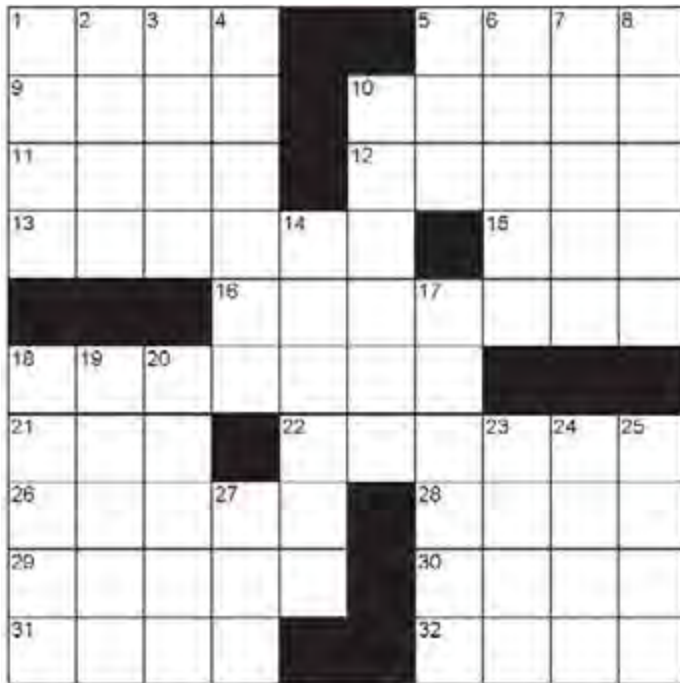
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Around Steiner

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



ACROSS

1. Southwest by south
5. Prophet who built the arc
9. In ___ of
10. Short poem
11. Iraq's neighbor
12. More able
13. System
15. Conger
16. Avows
18. Angora (2 wds.)
21. Finale
22. Growls
26. Do penitence
28. Has 4 identical siblings
29. Automaton
30. Ancient Indian
31. Espy
32. Tier

DOWN

1. Skinny
2. Flexible metal thread
3. Lick
4. Sunbonnet
5. Catch
6. Cargo ship
7. BB Player Abdul Jabar
8. Throws violently
10. Played (2 wds.)
14. Counterbalance
17. Iranian's neighbors
18. What you shift
19. Upon (2 wds.)
20. Philippine dish with marinated chicken or pork
23. Peewee
24. Aphids
25. Fasten
27. Negative

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Workshop Series

Here is our list of October Workshops that residents can attend for free! As always, we are looking for more unique and different workshops to offer, so if you or someone you know, can provide educational opportunities that are not already being offered to Steiner Ranch residents, please contact Sharon Adams at sharon@steinerranchhoa.org or 512-266-7553.

OCTOBER 7TH – PAJAMA PARTY - Come to relax and unwind! Enjoy this free pampering experience while getting to know your neighbors, bring some friends and relax... We'll get ready for Halloween with a different kind of "mask". There is also going to be a "best PJ" contest!

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7:00pm TSCC

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For additional information go to www.steinerranchhoa.org or contact Sharon Adams, Community Coordinator at sharon@steinerranchhoa.org.



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Girl Scout Registration is Open

Submitted by Carmen Tucker

Girl Scouts of Central Texas registration is open year-round to girls in grades K-12. Now is the perfect time to register in order to take advantage of experiences like overnight camp, robotics day camp, backpacking trips and more. Registration is \$10 per year and girls can choose to join a troop or participate as individuals.

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character. Through fun, informal and educational experiences, girls can discover their potential, connect with others and take action to make the world a better place. Girl Scouts provides a wide variety of experiences for interests such as the arts, science, technology, nature, athletics, community service, health, leadership and more. To learn more or to register, please contact your local Girl Scout Council at membership@gstcx.org or (512) 453-7391.. Discover Girl Scouts online at www.gsctx.org.



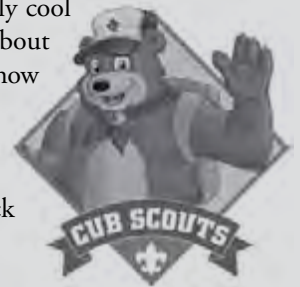
Pack 203 and Pack 205

Welcome all Steiner Ranch Boys!!

Grades 1st-5th

Do you know what Cub Scouts and Scouting is all about? Pack 203 at LWBE and Pack 205 at RRE do fun things with fellow scouting friends every month! We get together as a Pack to wear our cool uniforms, show off our scout spirit, and participate in exciting scouting activities. As a Cub Scout, you will get to go camping and fishing with your family, shoot BB guns, sleep over on real U.S. Naval ships and do archery! We play all kinds of sports and build cool race cars and spaceships to race. Do you want to learn the secret scouting code and earn really cool patches? Do you want to learn more about nature and your community? Find out how enriching being a Cub Scout can be!

Contact Kay Kirby at ktkirby@austin.rr.com (Pack 203) or Tina Millard at cs388@yahoo.com (Pack 205) for more information."



Toastmasters International -

Are you ready to take your public speaking and leadership skills to the next level in a fun and friendly environment? Toastmasters can help you achieve your goals. Several clubs meet in the area with convenient times and locations. See www.atxtoastmasters.org/area-clubs for a details, or call Rob Carruthers at 512-422-1688. Guests are always welcome.

Steiner Ranch Cycling

Steiner Ranch Cycling is a loosely organized group of cyclist, Mountain or Road, who enjoy rides between the lakes. We welcome cyclists of all abilities and not just those who live in Steiner Ranch. Most of our weekend rides start and finish in the Steiner Ranch area, allowing us to tackle some of the more challenging climbs in the hills of Austin. Our rides are typically "no drop" especially for new riders and average anywhere from 15 to 45 miles in distance. We organize our rides through email whenever someone feels like going for a ride they just send out an email: ex. "Saturday morning 8 am ride anyone?" or "Anyone up for a mountain bike ride after work, 7pm?". There are no costs or club fees, just your desire to have fun riding with your neighbors. Come Join Us! www.SteinerRanchCycling.com

Hot Boudin, Cold Couscous!

Love Steiner but miss the people of Louisiana, mon cher ? The culture, the food, and the football-watching traditions are just a few things that make us homesick. Rather than go all the way to Louisiana to get a taste of home, we would like to regularly get together with Louisiana natives living in Steiner or surrounding areas.

We'll throw the first party on Sunday, September 25th at 12:00pm for the Saints/Texans game. Go to www.meetup.com/Louisiana-Natives-in-Steiner for more details or contact me directly. We look forward to passing a good time with our new friends! Taylor Alexander (tayloralexander44@hotmail.com; 225-229-6041)

Steiner Ranch Community Groups & Organizations

Are you a member of a community group or organization here in Steiner? Email the information about your group to steinerranch@peelinc.com and it will be included in each issue. Feel free to submit post event write-ups and photos.

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From the Association Office

Architectural Modification Requirements

So you've decided to do some improvements or make changes to the outside of your home.....what do you do now?

1. Complete the Architectural Modification form (owner only)
2. Include any addendum forms such as for a pool or greenbelt
3. Include a scaled drawing showing plan and elevation views of the proposed improvements, modifications or alterations. Submittals must include samples depicting the proposed materials and colors to be used.
4. A lot survey (which the owner receives at closing) indicating the location of proposed improvements, and any applicable easements, setbacks, and elevation differences on lot.
5. Deposit check in the amount of \$500

All of these forms can be found on-line at www.steinerranchhoa.org, under the "Document" section of the website.

Note* Generally, application packets received by Friday, will be reviewed the following Wednesday, however some reviews can take up to 30 days.

Please fill free to contact the Associations Community Standards Coordinator, Mackal "Mack" Gill if you have any questions at 266-7553 or mack@steinerranchhoa.org.

Planning a Pool Party?

The Steiner Ranch pools are a great place to have a party! They are fun, clean and safe for you and your guest. The main goal for the HOA and Lifeline Aquatics is to keep it that way.

If you are renting a facility (Pavilion, Community Room, etc.) and plan on using the pool with more than 50 guests, you will be required to hire additional lifeguards, at your expense, to help protect all of the patrons at the pools.

To hire lifeguards, please contact the Lifeguard Company directly at 1-877-354-1313 or admin@lifelineaquatics.com.

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Reporting Lost Pets

Coming home and finding an open gate, hole under the fence, or having a pet escape when opening the front door can be one of the saddest days in a pet owner's life. The uncertainty involved relating to your pet's health, location and reunion abilities can take its toll on people. Fortunately, there are ways to better your chances when dealing with a missing pet situation.

The biggest, of course, begins with prevention. Having your pet microchipped, wearing a collar with correct and updated identification devices, and having recent photographs of your pet can be a big help.

Be sure to telephone your vet, animal control, and if possible the microchip company to report your pet lost. Provide an accurate, detailed description and notify each agency if there are any current medical conditions your pet experiences.

After notifying important telephone contacts, it is now time to rely on technological assistance. Go online and not only send an email to all of your neighbors, but find as many local community sites as possible to create a lost pet announcement. The Association provides a "lost/found pet" link on its website that you can utilize. This will be reported to the Association, who will send out a "Lost/Found Pet Alert". Provide a description ensuring the pet's name, breed, gender, color and date/time/place last seen are mentioned. Be sure to upload a recent photograph and provide two means of contact information. This way, if you are away from your computer or telephone, you or a family member can still be reached.

Next, create similar lost pet flyers and drop off at the Association Office. These need to be no larger than 5 X 7 and will be placed at all 22 of the Community's mailbox kiosks by a Staff member. You can also hand deliver flyers to your neighbors in the direction your pet most likely headed and many of the local businesses. Finally, be sure to check your pet's living quarters. While it may sound strange, often pets will surprise their owners and appear on their doorstep or crawl back under the holes in fences; especially if it is close to the pet's bedtime or mealtime.

Hopefully, with these steps, you and your pet will be re-united.

What should I do if I see a coyote?

To report coyote sightings, call 3-1-1.

You will be asked to describe in detail the nature of your complaint, time, location, etc. The city's Animal Control Program will gather data related to coyotes and provide that information to Texas Wildlife Services for response/follow-up. Animal Control will respond to reports of injured or trapped coyotes.

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“HCEF wants parents to know that we are here to partner with them and their children from kindergarten until graduating from Vandegrift”, said Michelle Beck, VP of Hill Country Education Foundation and Membership Chair. “Our mission is to empower tomorrow’s leaders by stimulating academic excellence, which occurs at every grade level.”

In the past year, the Foundation has funded \$2,650 for robotics programs, \$1,000 for garden clubs, \$500 towards a college scholarship endowment fund and \$10,000 for Naviance Succeed, the college readiness tool that will be made available to all Leander ISD high school students this school year. In addition, the Foundation has earmarked \$25,000 for education grants to be distributed this fall along with \$750 for each area robotics clubs. Much of the funding for these programs is from the inaugural Gala in May 2011, which raised \$32,000. The Foundation already has plans for the next Gala set for March 3, 2012.

The annual membership drive for HCEF kicks off in September. Membership dues go to support enhancing the educational experience for students in Grandview Hills, Laura Welch Bush, River Place, River Ridge and Steiner Ranch Elementary Schools as well as Four Points and Canyon Ridge Middle Schools and Vandegrift High School. Please visit www.HillCountryEdFoundation.org for more information about membership.

ABOUT HILL COUNTRY EDUCATION FOUNDATION

A 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, the Hill Country Education Foundation enhances the educational experience of students living in the Four Points community of Austin, Texas. HCEF achieves this enhancement through the development and financing of innovative, quality programs and projects for students attending or preparing to attend Vandegrift High School, specifically in the areas of leadership, entrepreneurship, science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

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Parents and Students are invited to attend this CRMS PTA Program. Texas PTA Presenter Larriann Curtis will examine the causes, effects, prevention techniques, and legal/ethical issues surrounding bullying.

DID YOU KNOW ?

- Every seven minutes a child is bullied. 85% of the time, peers are present and no one intervenes
- 45% of kids ages 13-17 have been cyber bullied.

CRMS PTA General Meeting to approve PTA Budget will follow @ 9:00am

The 2011-2012 PTA Reflections theme is "Diversity"

Students are encouraged to submit work they create based on this theme in the following categories:

Film Production

Photography

Dance Choreography

Music Composition

Visual Art

Literature

Please visit:

www.txpta.org/programs/reflections
for specific guidelines and for an entry form. All submissions needs to be turned in to the school office at the end of

the October. An exact date and more information will be available soon.

This program is designed to enhance and foster an individual student's creative process; thus, each submission must be the original work of one student only. Adults may not alter the creative integrity of a student's work.

Judging will be completed based on student age, category, and ability to clearly reflect the theme.

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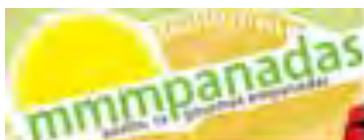
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“We strongly support science, technology, engineering and math programs,” said Kai Lamb, president of the Hill Country Education Foundation. “These robotic clubs are a remarkable vehicle to ignite our students in these fields of study. Clubs now exist at all the elementary and secondary

schools in the Four Points area and we hope to see the elementary and middle schools compete at the scrimmage.”

In addition to supporting STEM (science, technology, engineering and math), robotic clubs offer invaluable skills in communication, research, project management, writing, and strategic and analytical thinking.

Junior FLL teams are also invited to showcase their research. Students and families interested in robotics and/or starting robotic clubs at their schools are encouraged to attend.

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Business Section

Eight Business Networking Groups in the Area

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STEINER RANCH REFERRALS BNI GROUP

Meetings are on Tuesday mornings from 8:00am to 9:30am at Hill Country Pasta House. Visitors are welcome! If you are interested please contact Elicia Rudberg at eliciarudberg@gmail.com for more information or visit www.BNIAustin.com.

FOUR POINTS BNI

Meetings are on Wednesday at lunch from 11:30am to 1:00pm at the River Place Country Club. Visitors are welcome! If you are interested please contact Kelly Troy at kelly@troyinsgroup.com or visit www.BNIAustin.com.

FOUR POINTS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Four Points Chamber of Commerce provides networking opportunities at social gatherings, luncheons with guest speakers and activities. The Chamber brings businesses together along highway 620 from Hudson Bend to Anderson Mill and Ranch Road 2222 from Jester to Volente. Four Points Chamber supports business growth in the community where we live, work and play. In less than 6 months Four Points Chamber of Commerce exceeded its first year membership

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YOUR LOCAL CITY

Steiner Ranch has a new business networking group. Your Local City is a positive, membership based, business networking organization with 17 groups meeting all over the Austin area. The Steiner Ranch group meets every Friday at 8:00 am at Lakeside Pizza and Grill located in the Shops at Steiner Ranch at Steiner Ranch Blvd. and Quinlan. Come join us to grow your business.

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Santa's Workshop November 12th & 13th

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A+ REFERRALS BY THE LAKE BNI (LAKEWAY)

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Celebrate Halloween at Lake Travis Community Library



Author Lisa Tuttle

Lake Travis Community Library offers four special spooky events in October. Do you want to perform science experiments to solve Halloween mysteries? Is it time to dress up in your pirate costume and trick-or-treat your way to lots of candy? Do you want to hear spooky stories for all ages? Or, perhaps you want to meet award-winning science fiction, fantasy, and horror author Lisa Tuttle? It all happens at the library!

The Silver Bough author Lisa Tuttle will speak at the library on Monday, October 17th at 7 p.m. Born and raised in Houston, Tuttle won the John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer in 1974. She lived in Austin from 1974-1980, working for the Austin American-Statesman as a staff writer and as that newspaper's first television editor, writing daily reviews and regular features. In

1979 she decided to set out on the precarious path of the full-time free-lance writer, and went to live in England in 1981. Lisa's first full-length book was a science fiction novel written in collaboration with George R. R. Martin: *Windhaven* (1981). After that she wrote *Familiar Spirit*, a horror story set in a spooky old house in Austin. Her other novels include *Gabriel*, *Lost Futures* (short-listed for the Arthur C. Clarke Award), *The Pillow Friend* (described by Neil Gaiman as "a nightmarish distaff monkey's paw of a book that it's impossible to forget"), *The Mysteries*, and, most recently, *The Silver Bough*. Ghost stories were her first love, and short fiction of the strange and supernatural variety continues to be her favorite form. Many of her stories have appeared in various "best of the year" collections, and "Closet

Dreams" won the 2007 International Horror Guild Award. Lisa also writes book reviews and occasional articles, has taught creative writing classes, and works part-time for her local library at home in Scotland. Join us for this special event!

Popular storyteller Bernadette Nason will entertain all ages at the library on Thursday, October 20th at 3:30 p.m. You don't want to miss her interactive telling of *The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything!*

On October 22nd from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., join Girlstart at the Lake Travis Community Library for Spooky Science, an event the entire family can enjoy. The Spooky Extravaganza discovers the science behind Halloween mysteries. Free admission, hands-on activities, costume parade, candy and more. Girlstart works to empower girls in science, technology, engineering and science. For more information about the organization, visit www.girlstart.org.

Get dressed up in your best Halloween costume and come to the library for the annual Pumpkin Parade! First join a Halloween story time, then trick-or-treat around the Lohman's Crossing Shopping Center on Wednesday, October 26th at 10:30 a.m.

As always, please contact the library for more information about any of these events at (512) 263-2885 or www.laketravislibrary.org. We look forward to seeing you at the library!

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BRITT'S BOOK BUZZ:

The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins

Remember the compelling and cult-following TV show, *Lost*? To me, *The Hunger Games* is the literary equivalent in that the writers creatively demonstrated survival and unity when faced with extremely harsh circumstances. The difference is that while *Lost* was the result of a plane crash on a strange island where anything could happen, *The Hunger Games* is ruled by the Capitol where young adults fight to the death as a form of entertainment for the government.

Set in the not so distant future, North America as we know it has been completely reorganized into separate districts (12 of them) all closely controlled by the militant, big brother, harsh "Capitol." These districts were formed when the Earth had become so violated environmentally and morally that war broke out. As a reminder to all of the segregated districts that rebellion is not tolerated, there is a yearly "Hunger Game" where a male and female from each district aged 12-18 is chosen at random to fight each other to the death. There can only be one victor and everything is televised, complete with sponsors.

It is in district 12 that the heroine, Katniss Everdeen lives with her mother (a healer) and her younger sister. Her father was killed

in a mining accident but left his oldest daughter with the gifts and talents of hunting, which is her family's key to survival.

When Katniss' sister is chosen as one of the "tributes" to fight in the hunger games, Katniss volunteers in her place. Her male counterpart, Peeta, is also chosen.

Their experience at the Capitol and the whole tradition around the hunger games is so intriguing and fascinating as are the people they encounter. However, it is the way the hunger games are so carefully and technologically orchestrated and Katniss' amazing ingenuity and will to live and survive that kept me reading and enjoying the brutal, yet thoroughly entertaining book. At the time I am writing this review, I am already on the final book of the trilogy!

This book has it all -- a love triangle, a heroine, an underdog, fighting, mystery, science fiction--it is a reader's big Kit Kat bar!

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Notes from WCID 17

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District 17 staff is continuing to systematically check all wastewater fittings and manholes to ensure every possible source of odor is addressed. The compost facility has been completely shut down. All existing equipment is being rechecked and adjusted if necessary. New odor control chemicals are being added to the system on Quinlan Park Road, and tank covers are being designed for all open basins at the treatment plant.

Classified Ads

Personal classifieds (one time sell items, such as a used bike...) run at no charge to Steiner Ranch residents, limit 30 words, please e-mail steinerranch@peelinc.com.

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

Stage 2 Water Restrictions! Mandatory ONE Day Per Week Watering

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Steiner Ranch residents:

Odd numbered addresses will water Saturdays

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Residential customers will be required to adhere to this schedule.

Systems such as the one used by the Steiner Ranch HOA using reclaimed or recycled water will not be subject to the restrictions.

The time of day residents may water. To reduce wasting water through evaporation during daytime heat, watering with an automatic irrigation system is permitted before 10am or after 7pm. Watering with a hand held hose or bucket may be done any time of day or any day of the week. Other water uses such as washing cars or boats is not restricted to watering days unless increased conservation measures become necessary.

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Lectures include such common themes as rainwater harvesting, vegetable gardening, lawn care, tree maintenance, native and adapted plants, propagating plants, and much more. Join us for some really great free learning opportunities and bring your questions!

WINTER GARDENING

Saturday, October 1, 2011, 10am-12pm

Festival Beach Community Garden, 35 Waller St. Austin TX 78702

Learn about garden vegetables which only thrive in the cool temperature of the fall and winter. General gardening principles and guidelines for protecting plants from usually cool temps will be discussed. Event is outdoors. Please bring a chair.

BIO-INTENSIVE GARDENING

Saturday, October 8, 2011, 10am-12pm

Blackshear Neighborhood Garden, 2011 East 9th St. Austin TX 78702

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Saturday, October 22, 2011, 2:30-4:30pm

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