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SOCIAL EVENTS 2011

The Social Committee has put together another fun filled year of activities for your family. If you are looking to gather with your neighbors or make new friends-come out and be Social

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SANTA CLAUS RETURNS TO SONOMA'S BAREFOOT POOL HAM-IPM

I need your help to make a successful event...if you could volunteer your time for any event, please contact Cyndi Wasserboehr @ cyndiwass@netscape.net or 512-294-2183



Amendment to Rules & Regulations

THE FOLLOWING RULES WERE RECENTLY APPROVED & ADOPTED BY THE BOARD

Dangerous Pets. The Homeowners Association will leave the management of dangerous animals to the civil authorities, but we reserve the right to remove at any time a "Dangerous Pet". A pet is deemed to be a "Dangerous Pet" for purposes of this Rule if and when the animal causes physical harm to any person or a domestic pet, or if the animal acts in such an aggressive manner toward any person that it may reasonably be deemed to pose a threat of physical harm. It shall be in the sole discretion of the Board to determine on a case-by-case basis whether an animal is a "Dangerous Pet". If an animal is deemed by the Board to be a "Dangerous Pet", the Board, in addition to all other remedial powers afforded under these Rules and the other governing documents of the Association, may, in its sole discretion require the owner of the pet to permanently remove the animal from the Property.

Enforcement. The Association, acting through its Board or Managing Agent at the direction of the board, may assess a fine against the Lot Owner and Lot for the violation of the Owner, his tenants, occupants or guests of any governing document of the Association, in an amount to be determined by the Board of Directors. Each day of the violation may be considered a separate violation. The Association may assess reasonable attorney fees to an Owners' account for nonpayment of amounts due or fees associated with enforcement action for other violations of the Declaration, Bylaws, or Rules. The Association must comply with all notice requirements of state law prior to issuing fines or charging attorneys fees to owners.

Please contact Animal Control at 218-5500 whenever you encounter a problem with a dog in the neighborhood. They are your first line of defense. You can also report a Deed Restriction

From the Landscape Committee

In the months of November and December we will be looking for homes with awesome holiday displays! Please send your nominations to landscape@hoasonoma.com PLEASE email us immediately if you see any common area sprinklers running when anytime other than Friday or to report any broken sprinkler heads or leaks!!You can email landscape@hoasonoma.com

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Winter Box Tops/Labels Contest Has Begun!

Send in your Box Tops, Tyson Labels, Labels for Education, and My Coke Rewards Codes with your child today! Let's keep going - we had a FANTASTIC response to our Fall Contest! (Don't forget to label your collection with your child's name & teacher's name)

PRIZES FOR OUR WINTER CONTEST ARE...

- The Top Collecting Class in each grade will receive a CUPCAKE PARTY
- The Top Collecting Students in each grade will receive their choice of a Personalized Gift Bag and last but not least...
- The Overall Top Collecting Class will not only receive a CUPCAKE PARTY, but will have the chance to Adopt an Animal from their choice of the San Antonio, Dallas, or Houston Zoo for 1 year
- All winners will also receive a special "SHOUT-OUT" on the Wildcat News

Stock up now on Box Tops, Labels and Coke products for the upcoming Holidays! Don't forget about the specially marked boxes of Pepperidge Farms Goldfish crackers that are worth 100 points!

Winter Box Tops Contest

Our Winter Box Tops contest is underway! We are asking that you continue to send in your Box Tops, Labels and My Coke Rewards points. With the upcoming holiday breaks, it's now time to stock up on snacks, cereals, paper goods, soups, storage bags etc. etc. We are about half way of meeting our goal of \$6,000 for Box Tops and have done exceptionally well in the Labels for Education and My Coke Rewards program thus far. Let's keep it up!

For an updated list of participating products, please visit the following links:

http://www.boxtops4education.com/Image.aspx?id=3878

Check out the HUNDREDS of products listed -I'm sure most of us have these products in our pantry now!

http://www.towerspta.com/ParticipatingProductsLabelsforEd.pdf

Don't forget about those specially marked boxes of Pepperidge Farms Goldfish Crackers that are out now - they are worth 100 POINTS each!

http://www.mycokerewards.com/participating Brands.do?WT.ac=mnuHIW_BAP

Did you know that instead of sending in all those caps and codes – you can enter them yourself from home AND your child/classroom will still get the points? Just create an account on their website, enter the codes, donate your points to Blackland Prairie and under your "Account History" tab, print out the points you've donated and submit the form with your child's name on it to his or her class!

Thanks again for your continued support!



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Electronic & Computer Recycling

RIDGEVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL & BLACKLAND PRAIRIE ELEMENTARY PTA

Want to eliminate electronic clutter? Want to put that old/unused computer to good use? Ridgeview and Blackland Prairie PTA will be collecting electronics and computers for Texas Recycles Day on Wednesday, November 16th before (7:30 - 8:30am) and after school (2:45 - 4:00pm) in the Ridgeview Middle School parking lot.

We will be collecting: cell phones, digital cameras, camcorders, cameras, Mp3 players, iPods, laptops, computers, mice, and keyboards. All items can be broken or working. The computers will be donated to the Round Rock Serving Center's Computers for Kids program. The Serving Center erases the files and refurbishes the computers. Working with area schools, the Serving Center provides these computers to children in need. Other electronics will be sent to TerraCycle. The schools will receive a monetary donation from TerraCycle for these donated electronics.

Questions? Contact Hamidah Sadler at 512-913-9047 or hamidahsadler@gmail.com





Thanksgiving Pies

Hello, Parents!

At BPE, we have a tradition that is loved by the teachers and staff. Each year, on the last day of school before the Thanksgiving break (Tuesday, Nov. 22), we bring in pies to distribute to each person on the staff at our school. This is a great way to say; "Thanks" for all that they do each day for our children. We need to have 3 pies from each class in order to give a pie to each staff member. Since we will have a lot of pies that day, we ask that they do NOT need to be refrigerated. These are gifts, so we ask that each pie be wrapped. There are several ways to do this....there are clear plastic bags that can be found in the wrapping section of the dollar store, you could use cellophane, plastic wrap, a box with a clear top, the plastic containers that frozen pie shells come in, etc. A simple or super fancy ribbon or bow would be the perfect way to top it off! Please label your pie in some way with the type of pie it is.

Don't feel like you can't help with this just because you don't feel like making a pie! Store bought pies are perfectly fine!! We hope to have everyone send in their pies all ready to go, but if you can send a pie but don't want to decorate it, send it anyway! I'll be there in the morning to make sure that all of them end up looking great! Pies need to be in by 8:00am on Tuesday. I will have carts inside the front doors and will be ready to take them off your hands!

You may be wondering how to get in on the fun!! It's easy to sign up, so go ahead! https://www.parentteacher.net/volunteerr.asp?sc=BlacklandPrPTA&v=14953

Thank you all SO much for helping to continue this tradition!

Pulte Project On Hold

As of November 2, 2011 the Sonoma Northwest Project is on "hold". Pulte has pulled their rezoning request and is reconsidering their project. The Board is monitoring the situation and will keep you informed. At this time, the earliest that there would be Public Hearings on this project would be December 14, but that would only be if rezoning requests are submitted.

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Watering Restrictions

AS OF MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2011 WE WILL BE UNDER STAGE II (B) WATER RESTRICTIONS.

The Stage II (b) once-a-week schedule allows residential customers with odd-numbered addresses to water on Saturday, residential customers with even-numbered addresses to water on Sunday, and commercial and multi-family customers to water on Friday.

ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS INCLUDE

- All outdoor irrigation is prohibited unless it occurs in compliance with the once-per-week watering schedule
- The washing of automobiles is prohibited unless it occurs in compliance with the once-per-week watering schedule (this does not apply to commercial carwashes)
- The watering of ground around foundations is prohibited unless it occurs in compliance with the once-per-week watering schedule
- The refilling or adding of water to swimming or wading pools is prohibited unless it occurs in compliance with the once-per-week watering schedule
- The operation of any ornamental fountain or other similar use of water is prohibited except where necessary to support aquatic life
- The irrigation of golf fairways is prohibited unless it occurs in compliance with the once-per-week watering schedule; (these restrictions do not apply to a golf course using wastewater effluent or private well water)

The following uses of water are prohibited: failing to repair leaking sprinklers, valves or faucets, washing sidewalks, driveways, parking areas, or other paved areas, operating irrigation system with broken heads, or heads out of adjustment that spray on streets or parking lots, and allowing any water to run off in the street or parking lot. A violation of the Stage II (b) restrictions is a Class C misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$2,000. For repeat violations, water service may be disconnected or restricted.

For more information visit http://www.roundrocktexas.gov/home/index.asp?page=10&recordid=2528.

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WASHYOUR HANDS

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By: Concentra Urgent Care

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) say that nearly 90,000 patients die in U.S. hospitals each year due to a preventable disease – many could be avoided if everyone properly washed their hands. From germs on office equipment to sick colleagues who decided to come into work anyway, people face the same dangers in the workplace. The same simple factholds true: Washing your hands regularly is an effective way to prevent yourself from catching or spreading a preventable disease or illness.

WHEN TO WASH YOUR HANDS

The CDC recommends washing your hands every time you:

- Prepare or eat food
- Use the restroom
- Tend to someone who is sick; both before and after
- Blow your nose, cough, or sneeze
- Handle garbage
- Treat a cut or wound
- Change diaper or clean up after children
- Handle an animal or animal waste

HAND WASHING BASICS

The CDC has issued specific guidelines about effective hand washing:

- Wet hands with water
- Use plain bar or liquid soap
- Create a lather by vigorously rubbing hands together for 15-20 seconds—about the amount of time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday" twice
- Be sure to wash palms, back of hands, fingers, and nails (clean nails by gently scratching nails down your opposing soapy palm)
- Rinse off soap under a stream of water

WHAT ELSE CANYOU DO?

- Focus on hand washing in the lunch and/or break room
- Be careful when using sponges and dish towels. These are ideal sites for bacterial growth. Always wash your hands after using these items.
- Maintain a clean work area; regularly clean any office equipment, especially shared items such as phones and keyboards.
- Remind your colleagues of the importance of hand washing, particularly when you witness someone neglecting to wash his or her hands.

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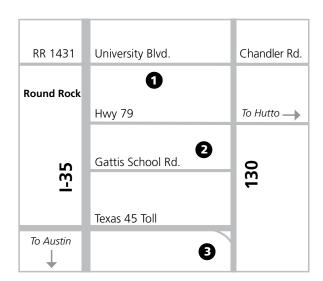
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