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Calling All Volunteers!

*Judges needed for Holiday Yard Judging Contest
December 9-15*

We need volunteers to drive the community and help nominate homes! This is a great way to volunteer and give back to our great community. It only takes an hour in the evening! To sign up as a judge or for additional information please contact jenniferhenrie@canyongate.com. VOLUNTEER JUDGES are needed for the event to be a success.

Annual Holiday Yard Decorating Contest

Start planning your holiday decorations!

DECEMBER 9TH-15TH

Legends Ranch favorite Annual Holiday Decorating Contest returns. Each section will have one winner, awarded a special prize. The winner will also get to display their winning yard sign during the holiday season!

*Make sure your lights are on from
Sunday, December 9th to Saturday, December 15th
as our volunteer resident judges will be driving the
community to chose a winner!*

Cookies with Santa & Toys for Tots Toy Drive

*Saturday, December 8th, 10am-Noon
Legends Ranch Clubhouse*

Join in the fun and take your photo with Jolly St. Nick!
We'll be serving holiday treats for children young & old!

We're hosting a Toys for Tots Toy Drive!
If you'd like to contribute, please bring a NEW UNWRAPPED
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Don't forget your camera!

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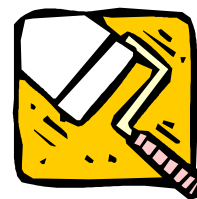
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THE LIVING LEGENDS of Legends Ranch

There isn't much to report this time about activities because I covered most of them last month. However, there were a couple of items I didn't mention. Of course we are continuing our game nights, October at the home of Trudy and Herman Falterman, November at the home of Irene and Pete Scioneaux. So many of us attend these fun evenings I don't think we will change that too much. But we noticed a trend at these nights over the past couple of years – we are all ready to leave by 10 P.M. After all, we are seniors!

On November 10th, from 10 a.m. until 2 P.M. at the Clubhouse, we will have a food drive to benefit the Montgomery County Food Bank. With so many people out of work, and the holidays coming up, they will need more donations than normal. So let's all pool together, the entire neighborhood, and provide what we can to help this county. The Living Legends will be in the parking lot of the clubhouse to collect your donations. We will unload your donation, or you can hand them through the window to us and drive on through. If you can't donate non-perishable food stuffs, cash or checks will be welcome. The Food Bank gets a good discount when they buy goods, so it may be used to purchase fresh foods, such as potatoes, vegetables bread and fruit.

Please put the date on your calendar, and when you are shopping grab an extra something for the Food Bank! We look forward to seeing you on November 10th.

If you are 50+, you are welcome to join us at the clubhouse on the third Friday of each month at 1:30 P.M. We know you will enjoy the events and fun as much as we do. You may contact me if you have any questions at 281-651-2593.

Enjoy the cooler air and the Harvest moon and sky!
Jerrie Sanders



Gardening Tips for November

It's November and the weather has taken a turn toward Winter. I know! Our winter is like most places fall and we may not even get our first light freeze until sometime in December. The upside of this is that we can have color 12 months of the year.

Last month I listed some of the plants that bloom in fall and winter. Now I would like to talk about winter blooming plants in a little more detail.

First is the undisputed ruler of winter blooming plants, The Pansy. Pansy flowers come in a wide range of colors, from white to dark red. The range of colors

Includes pastels to bright bi-colors. Pansies will bloom from late fall until Spring temperatures

Reach the 80's and they burn up. They are very cold tolerant and the plant will survive the low

Teens. The flower and buds are a little more sensitive and may be damaged by these temperature, but

Wait a couple of weeks and they will be in full bloom again.

As a side note, the pansy flower is edible and can be added to a green salad or you can crystallize

Them in sugar and use them as a decoration on cakes.

The other common winter bloomer is the closely related Viola. This small flowered plant has flowers that look like their larger cousin, but will have more flower per plant than the pansy. They come in the same range of colors as the pansy, but seems to have been bred to have more Varieties of bi-color.

Pansies and Violas are heavy feeders and love high Nitrogen fertilizers, so get on a schedule and feed them lightly every two to three weeks.

In winter the light intensity goes down as the sun moves further away, so be sure to plant your winter plants in full sun. Pansies get "leggy" very quickly when they don't get enough sun.

If you haven't applied your preemergent yet, apply it early as you can this month. "Barricade" will control both broadleaf weeds such as chickweed and henbit and grassy weeds such as Poa annua (annual blue grass). The Scotts product "Halts" is another good preemergent.

Early November is your last chance to apply a fertilizer to your lawn. Use a low nitrogen "winterizer" to feed your lawn.

If you have any questions, Please stop by LoneStar Ace and see me or contact me at troy@lonestarace.com. I look forward to seeing you.



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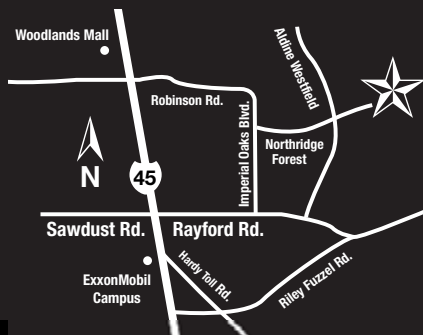


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Please contact Jennifer Henrie, Director of Community Events at jenniferhenrie@canyongate.com if you would like to help with any of our events! *All Date Are Tentative & Events are subject to change

Interested in Sponsorship Opportunities at Legends Ranch Community Events?

There are exciting sponsorship opportunities available for your business. There are also opportunities to showcase your business or organization!

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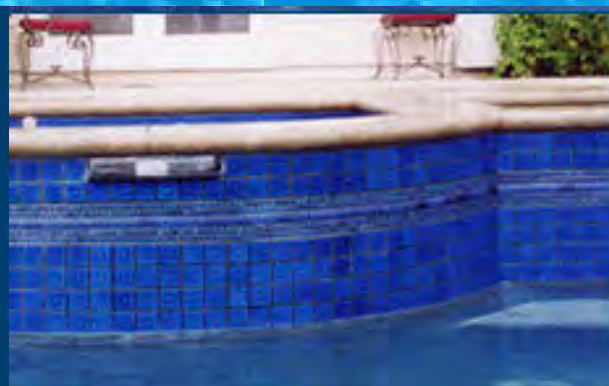
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Legends Ranch Community has had many loose dogs & cats lately. Please do your part to keep your animals safe and contained on your property.

Please Control Your Pets!

It is a deed restriction violation if your pets are not confined to a fenced backyard or within your home. They must not be allowed to bark all night or cause a nuisance to your neighbors. They must also be on a leash at all times when not in a contained environment. It is also the pet owner's responsibility to keep ALL areas of the community FREE from pet debris when walking your pets. Please remember that cats must also be confined.

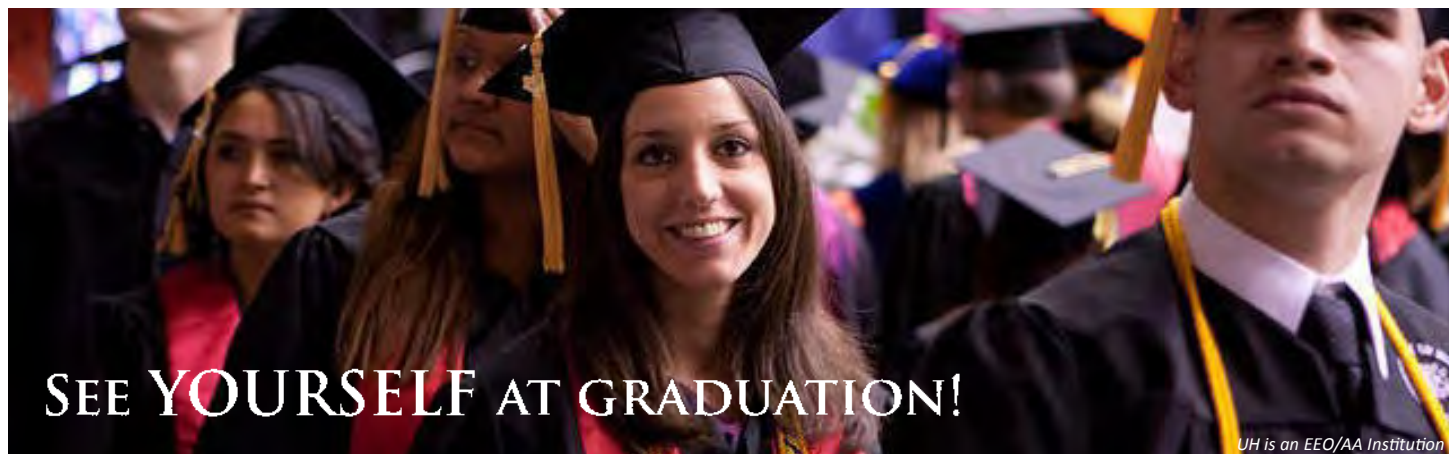
Remember that all pets should always wear a collar with ID tag! Pet owners should also consider pet microchips for identification in case your pet loses their collar/ID tag.

Did you know?

There is a Lost Pet Feature to Community Intranet

- Log into www.canyongate.com/residents/lr (login required)
- Click on "classifieds" under Resources located on left side of menu
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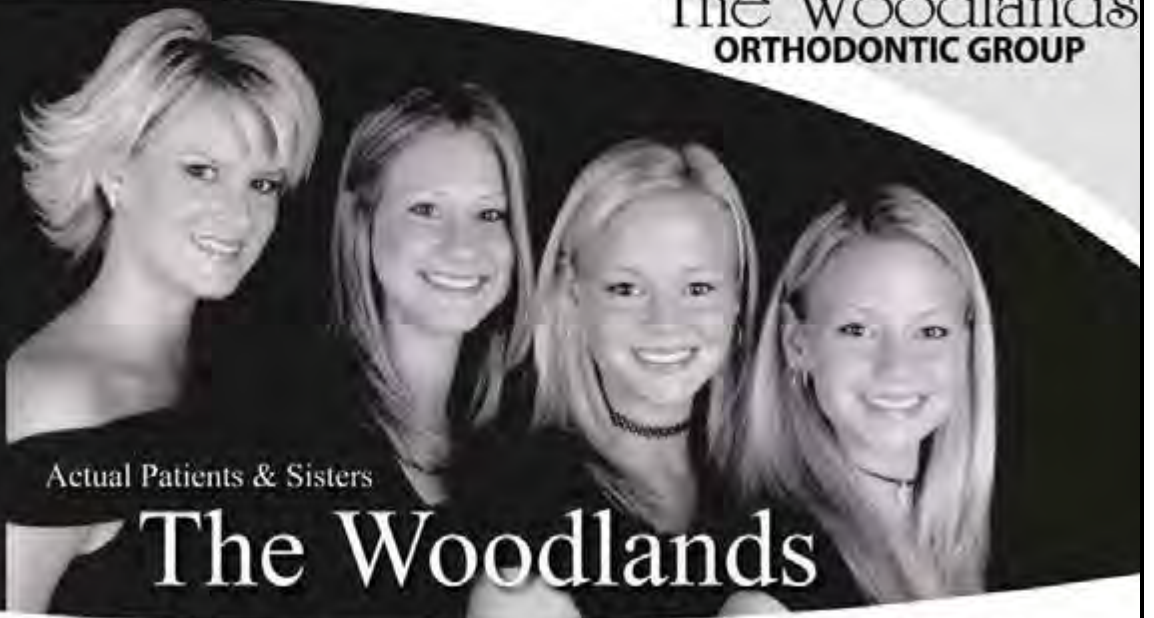
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Skin Cancer Screenings, Prevention Tips

By Adam J. Mamelak MD, FRCPC, FAAD

Skin cancer is on the rise, affecting more Americans over the past three decades than all other cancers combined, according to the Skin Cancer Foundation. The good news is that you can do much to prevent it. "The danger in skin cancer is gravest when it goes undetected," says Dr. Adam Mamelak of Sanova Dermatology in Austin. "It is extremely treatable, and in a large sense preventable when caught early."

To help reduce your risk, follow these sun-smart practices.

7 WAYS TO REDUCE SKIN CANCER RISK:

1. See your physician every year for a professional skin exam. Regular total-body checkups are the best way to make sure your skin is healthy and stays that way. The American Academy of Dermatology recommends annual skin exams. You can receive a FREE skin cancer screening through 2012 at Sanova Dermatology, 12319 N. Mopac in Austin. To schedule your free screening, call (512) 837-3376; no purchase or insurance coverage is necessary.

2. Avoid tanning and UV tanning booths. Even occasional sunbed use almost triples your chances of developing melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer. Young people – including teenagers – are especially sensitive to the ultraviolet radiation from tanning booths.

3. Seek the shade and do not burn. Stay in the shade especially between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., when the sun's rays are often strongest. Avoid getting burned; even a single sunburn increases your risk of developing melanoma.

4. Cover up with clothing and UV-blocking sunglasses. Protect your skin with densely woven and bright- or dark- colored fabrics, which offer the best defense. Wear a hat with a brim of 3" or greater to protect the face. Use wraparound sunglasses that block 99-100% of the sun's UV rays, which helps prevent cataracts and melanomas of the eye.

5. Use a broad spectrum (UVA/UVB) sunscreen. Every day, year-round, use broad spectrum sunscreen with UVA and UVB protection and an SPF (Sun Protection Factor) of 15 or higher. For extended outdoor activity, use a water-resistant broad-spectrum sunscreen with an SPF of 30 or more. Apply 1 ounce (2 tablespoons) of sunscreen to your entire body 30 minutes before going outside. Reapply every 40-80 minutes or immediately after swimming or excessive sweating.

6. Help protect children from sun damage. Keep newborns out of the sun, since their skin possesses little melanin, the pigment that provides some sun protection. Sunscreen should be used on babies over the age of six months. Make sure your children are well-protected with clothing, hats, sunscreen and sunglasses. Ask the pediatrician to examine your child's skin thoroughly as part of a yearly check-up – especially important for those with fair skin, light eyes and hair, and those with a family history of skin cancer.

7. Examine your skin head-to-toe each month. Look for skin changes and let your doctor know about any sore that does not heal or spot that changes in size, texture or color.

Adapted from the Skin Cancer Foundation

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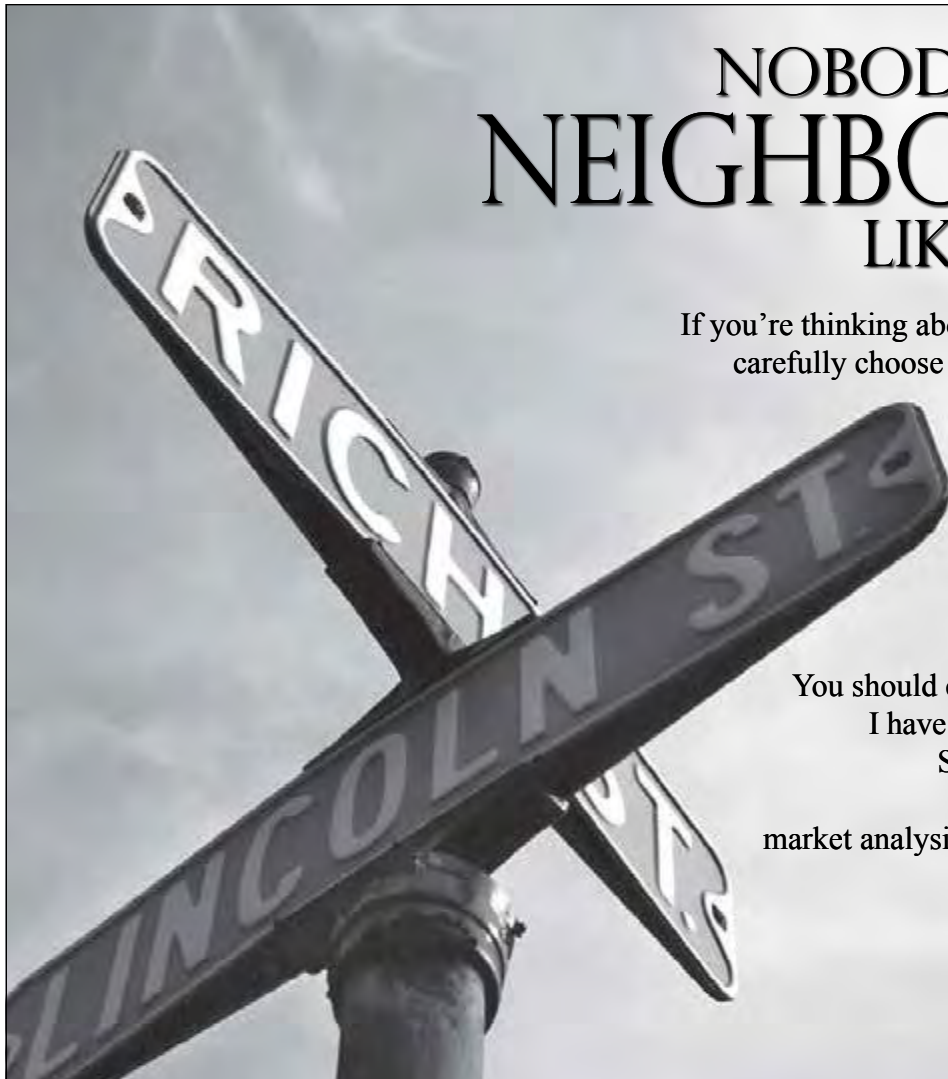
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