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Official Community Newsletter

Sendera Annual Members' Meeting

APRIL 2, 2013 7:30 – 9:00PM BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH COMMUNITY LIFE CENTER FELLOWSHIP HALL

As required by the Bylaws of Sendera Owners Association, a letter announcing the annual meeting was sent to each owner of record. This meeting is held every year to provide members with information about the current state of the Association, reports from officers and committees, and the election of directors for any expiring terms. Once the business is conducted, a Members Forum will provide an opportunity for owners to ask questions or bring up concerns.

Before any business may be conducted, a quorum of 10% of the owners must be present either in person or by proxy. If there is any possibility that you won't be at the meeting, please give your proxy to someone you know will be going. If you prefer, you may give your proxy to one of the directors listed on page 2 of this newsletter. Proxies should be sent to our management company; Pioneer Real Estate Services (see information on page 3). If you do come to the meeting, you may revoke your proxy and vote in person.

Please consider attending the annual meeting. This past year has seen many changes in our neighborhood, some good and some challenging. Some have been resolved and some will require action in the coming year. This is your chance to make sure your voice is heard on issues that are important to you.

Recreation Committee News

Submitted by Suzann Vera & Sharon Boatwright

Be informed - get on the Recreation Committee e-mail distribution list to receive monthly updates by contacting Suzann at suzannchili@sbcglobal.net 291-0714 or Sharon at Sharon.boatwright@amd.com 653-5554.

Friday April 19 and Saturday April 20 The Spring Sendera Neighborhood Garage Sale will be held from 8:00-1:00. An ad will be placed in the Austin American Statesman and on Craig's list. If you choose to participate on either/ both day(s) have your items out by 8:00 A.M. All participants are encouraged to hang at least 1 sign.

Don't miss the **Ninth Annual Sendera Memorial Day Weekend Barbecue Cook off**, Fair, and Festivities to be held by the pool/playscape area. Wait 'till you see what Sendera's got cooking for the weekend.

We need a minimum of 8 Teams to sign up by April 27th to proceed with the weekend's events! See entry forms in this issue! Do you like to barbecue and hang out with like minded neighbors? The first 15 teams to sign up will be reimbursed for supplies/materials up to \$150 - after all,you're doing all of the work to feed the neighborhood! Cash prizes and trophies are awarded to winners.

We're also seeking vendors and entertainment for the event. Contact Suzann at 291-0714 or suzannchili@sbcglobal.net.

Saturday May 25th - Square Dance 7-9pm. We have a square dance caller coming out for some family fun dancing. No experience necessary- just join a group and bow to your partner!

Sunday May 26th - 11:00am Patriotic Parade. which starts at the pool - bring your decorated bikes, strollers, pets, and wagons to march and wave your flags. Parade participants will go a ¹/₄ mile up Sendera Mesa and around the Cook-off/Fair grounds.

BBQ - 3:30-5:00pm. Vendor booths and BBQ tasting is available to all residents. Check out what our crafty neighbors have for sale and walk around to sample the great BBQ! No food will be passed out before 3:30pm. The event is free for residents. If residents would like to bring guests, the cost is a mere \$3 per non-resident payable at time of event. Be sure to bring your own drinks and lawn chairs.

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Free Seminar on Alzheimer's Disease

The Alzheimer's Association, Capital of Texas Chapter, is offering a free education program, "The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia, and Alzheimer's Disease". The seminar is being sponsored by Bethany Lutheran Church as part of a series on health/wellness. It will be presented on Thursday, April 11, 2013 from 7pm to 8:30 pm at

> Bethany Lutheran Church Community Life Center Fellowship Hall 3701 W. Slaughter Lane Austin, Texas 78749

If you or someone you know is affected by Alzheimer's disease, it's time to learn the facts. For more information, call (512)292-8778

Xeriscaping in Sendera

A recent report by Clean Water Fund talked about the barriers to water-efficient landscapes many HOAs have created by continuing to require fully-sodded front yards. Sendera is one of the few associations that have created specific guidelines for xeriscaping. Our original variance document was created in 2010 by the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) following the examples of Avery Ranch and Onion Creek. It has been refined as issues have come up that needed to be addressed and will probably continue to evolve as our climate changes.

As the weather warms and we each consider how to balance the requirement to maintain a standard of yard maintenance with the increasing cost of water, the Sendera Xeriscaping Guidelines (available at www.senderahoa.org) offers a number of alternatives to the St. Augustine lawns most of us started with. So make a plan, get it approved by the ACC and don't spend the summer pouring valuable and scarce resources into your yard.



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SENDERA OWNERS ASSOCIATION

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE APPROVAL APPLICATION

The authority of the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) is derived from the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CCRs).

IMPORTANT: No work should be commenced until written approval is received from the ACC.

Note: If this application is addressing deed restriction we submission to allow time for the applicant to make any a application is approved, the ACC will determine if an addressing the project.	adjustments o ditional suspe	r additions require ension of notices s	ed by the ACC. C hould be recomn	Once the nended to allow for
Applicant Name:		Hm Ph:		
Address:		Wk Ph:		
Email:		Cell Ph:		
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		Room/Garage A	ddition	
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Sod replacement Please list ALL materials to be considered		int replacement rees/plants to be c cape:	considered, quan	tity and location
☐ Sod (type)	Name		Quantity	Location
Decomposed granite Mulch	1.			
	2.			
Other loose stone (size/type)				
Other materials (type)	3.			
Note: Bright white or black rock will not be approved.		tional pages, if nee native plants may r		
Please review the Xeriscap	e Guideline	es at sdr.goodw	intx.com.	
2. Provide plans and specifications to depict the work to	be undertak	en (Submit all, as a	pplicable):	

Required! A plot plan showing the location and dimensions of the existing and proposed improvements for all landscape changes, storage buildings and any project with impervious cover.
 Structural design, exterior elevations, exterior materials, colors, textures, and shapes of all improvements to be made All exterior illumination including location and method of illumination - No "wash over" of lighting to adjoining property or common areas is permitted
 Existing and finished grades at lot corners and at corners of proposed improvements
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- Aaron and Amy Grabein

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Sendera Memorial Day Weekend Barbecue Cook Off and Fair Sunday May 26, 2013

BARBECUE COOK-OFF CONTESTANT REGISTRATION FORM

All interested teams are required to complete and submit a signed copy of Rules and Regulations form along with this Registration form by May 25, 2013.

Teams will have a budget and will be reimbursed for materials/supplies with original itemized receipts by the Sendera HOA. Upon registration, team captains will receive more information. Mail or drop of receipts to: Suzann Vera 8817 Whiteworth Loop Austin. TX 78749

Team Name:	CATEGORIES IN WHICH YOUR TEAM WILL COMPETE:
Team Captain:	
Address:	Chicken Beef Brisket Ribs
Email:	Chicken Beef Brisket Kibs
Phone number:	Top three categories determine grand champion as in IBCA sanctioned cook-offs.
Names of other	
Team members:	Chef's Choice Beans Dessert

RULES AND REGULATIONS FORM

1. Official signed Sendera Barbecue Cook-Off registration and rules and regulations forms must be signed and received by May 25, 2013. There will be no on-site registration the day of the cook-off. Judging starts at 12pm with turn-ins at separate times. Cooks may begin set-up anytime the evening before starting at 6pm.

2. A barbecue entrant team may have no more than 4 people.

3. Barbecue must be cooked from scratch on site the day (night before) of the cook-off. It must be prepared in the open at the entrants booth site.

4. Cooks are to prepare and cook food in as sanitary a manner as possible. Cooking conditions are subject to inspection by the head judge. All food, equipment, and utensils must be stored at least 6 inches off the floor on pallets, shelving, or tables at all times.

5. Appropriate themed decoration of your area and related costuming is encouraged!

6. Cooking will take place at the designated booth area only. Cooks must provide their own booth materials to include: table, chairs, cooking utensils, & ingredients.

7. At the discretion of the head judge, cooks may be required to taste their own barbecue in front of a judge at any time during the event.

8. No deliberate sabotage to another contestant or their entry will be tolerated and such an act would lead to automatic disqualification. So, don't even think about it!

9. Firearms, explosives or other pyrotechnics will not be allowed on the premises.
 10. Have a good time!

I, (print)______have read the above listed rules and regulations for the Sendera 2013 Barbecue Cook Off and Fair and agree to abide by them.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

VENDOR REGISTRATION FORM

If you would like to run a booth at the Sendera Barbecue Cook-Off and Fair on May 26, 2013 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. to sell crafts, merchandise, jewelry, services, etc. please complete the following form:

• Sendera residents will be considered for booths first with remaining booth assignments available to non residents.

• Vendors are responsible for set-up and equipment of booth including tables and chairs.

Mail or drop off completed vendor registration form to: Suzann Vera 8817 Whiteworth Loop Austin, TX 78749

Name:	
Address:	
Email:	
Phone #	
Explanation of booth:	



SAFE KIDS: Safety Tips

By: Concentra Urgent Care

Accidental injury is the number one killer of America's children, taking more lives than disease, violence, and suicide. Prevention is the cure. It's estimated that by taking these and other simple precautions, almost all (90 percent) of these accidental injuries can be avoided.

PREVENTING INJURIES TO CHILDREN IN THE HOME

Childproof your home. Look at every room as your child would. Ask yourself what looks interesting and what can be reached.

• Get down on your hands and knees, and check for small things children can choke on.

• Use the back burners on stoves, and turn pot handles to the back. Keep children away from the stove or microwave when cooking, and don't serve hot food or drinks to them.

• Keep knives, glasses, and scissors where young kids can't reach them.

• Cover electrical outlets that are not in use.

• Keep guns locked, unloaded, and where kids can't reach them.

Take precautions to avoid fire in the home.

• Install smoke alarms on every level of your home and in every sleeping area. Test them once a month.

• Plan several ways to escape from each room if a fire starts. Practice the fire escape plan with your family. Identify a safe place to meet outside.

- Lock up matches, lighters, and gasoline.
- Keep space heaters where kids can't reach them and away from curtains, beds, and papers.
- Never put electrical cords under rugs

Always supervise children while they are in the bathroom, and follow other important bathroom safety guidelines.

degrees Farenheit. Mix hot and cold water in the bathtub, and test it on your forearm before putting children into the tub. Never leave the room while they are bathing.

• Keep toilet lids closed and locked, and doors to bathrooms and utility rooms closed when not in use. Put razors, curling irons, and hair dryers out of reach.

Avoid exposing children to potential poisons.

- Lock up potential poisons out of children's reach, including cleaning supplies, pet food, medicine, vitamins, beer, wine, and liquor.
- Read labels and follow directions when giving medicine to children.

• Know which houseplants are poisonous and keep them where children can't reach them.

• Install carbon monoxide detectors in every sleeping area and test them every month.

• Make sure heating systems are vented outside and checked every year.

Prevent serious falls.

• Keep furniture away from windows. Install guards or stops on windows that are not emergency exits.

- Install safety gates at the top and the bottom of stairs.
- Never use baby walkers.

• Keep emergency numbers by every telephone. Call 911 if a child is choking, collapses, can't breathe, or is having a seizure. If you suspect a child has been poisoned, call 1-800-222-1222.

• Keep first aid supplies on hand.

For more information about preventing child injury, you can visit the Safe Kids USA Web site at: http://www.usa.safekids.org

• Keep the hot water heater at low-medium or less than 120



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Swim Center Opens April I (No Foolin')

The pool opens for the season on April 1. All residents current in their HOA dues will have their key cards activated by that date. At the time this newsletter was sent to the publisher, the board was considering a new gate security system to replace the old one that has been causing problems. This change may cause some delays in activation. If your card isn't working, please contact our management company (see page 2 for contact information). There have been several improvements at the Swim Center that we hope will make the amenity more attractive and useful.

Lifeguards will not be on duty until June, so swim at your own risk. Please review the pool rules (available on www.senderahoa. org and at the pool) and be sure all members of your family and any guests are aware of the rules.





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 DATE: Tuesday, April 30th

 11:00 am Registration - 1:00 pm Start

 LOCATION: River Place Country Club

 FORMAT: 4-person scramble

COST: \$165 per golfer* *Includes lunch, dinner and lots of swag

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Questions about the event? Contact Jancy Darling jancy.darling@colinshope.org (512) 413-7641

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