

SENDERA

Volume 9, Number 3

March 2014
Sendera Homeowner's Association

Official Community Newsletter

Sendera Security Committee Considering New Approach to Discourage Burglaries

Submitted by Todd Moore

It seems that over the past several weeks Sendera has become a very popular community for burglaries. While burglaries are nothing new to Sendera, we have seen a specific spike over the past few months. There are many reasons for this such as location, easy access to thoroughfares, low vigilance, etc.

Hoffman Cove was targeted recently, as were Chesney Ridge and Ramies Run. These are the ones we have been made aware of.

Thankfully nobody has been hurt and APD does have one suspect in custody and is searching for others. The pattern seems to be between the daytime hours of 9am to 3pm. There have been eyewitness accounts of unknown cars staking out homes and waiting for the homeowner to leave. APD is aware of all the details and are obviously working hard to put an end these burglaries. Officer Visi, our District Representative, will be at the Annual Meeting to discuss how we can make Sendera a less attractive target.

Meanwhile the Board has adopted a motion that we hope will encourage volunteers to re-start the Sendera Neighborhood Watch program. Since these crimes are occurring mostly during the day, the Neighborhood Watch Team will be charged with patrolling during the daytime hours.

Details of the motion are:

- 50% annual fees discount good for 1st year of service on Security Team.
- Volunteers must be in good standing with HOA within past 6months with no violations or delinquencies of any kind.

- Current active Board members are NOT eligible for discount.

Note: Recent victims of crime may not be eligible.

Details as to how many volunteers are needed and how often per day they will patrol are yet to be determined. These volunteers will be asked to only watch/monitor/report and call 911 when needed.

Volunteers must be willing to commit to:

- Routine patrols of Sendera neighborhood streets, trails and pipeline easements.
- Be accountable by submitting monthly reports of security patrols to the HOA Board of Directors and Neighborhood Watch Chair.
- Quarterly attendance at HOA board meetings.
- Contributing to and submitting a minimum of two articles during the year to the neighborhood newsletter on neighborhood safety & security tips and working with the Board and Sendera HOA APD District Representative in keeping our community safe.

The number of volunteers needed will be determined by the HOA Board based on geographic locations within the neighborhood and the availability of the volunteers to patrol during the day hours. Actual number of volunteer hours needed to be eligible for discount has not yet been determined.

The Board understands this is not a perfect solution so please bear with us as we try to develop this program. Those interested in volunteering can sign up at the Annual Meeting OR contact the Neighborhood Watch Chairperson, Ron Urias at Ron.Urias@farmersagent.com OR Judy at judy@pioneeraustin.com.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2012-2013

Todd Moore President
atmoore22@att.net..... 512-417-7946
Sally Iwanski Vice President
.....siwanski3minis@gmail.com
Angie Flores Treasurer
tejana87@yahoo.com..... 512-496-7356
Ron Urias.....Secretary
rurias@farmersagent.com..... 512-923-1988
Tom Franke..... Director at Large
thefrankesr@att.net..... 512-623-0267

COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2012-2013

ARCHITECTURAL

Tom Franke..... Co-chair
.....thefrankesr@att.net, 512-623-0267
Ron Urias..... Co-chair
.....rurias@farmersagent.com, 512-923-1988

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Pamela Kurburski.....pkgardensong@austin.rr.com
..... 512-940-8430

POOL

Ron Urias..... rurias@farmersagent.com
..... 512-923-1988

RECREATION

Suzann Vera.....suzannchili@sbcglobal.net
..... 512-291-0714
Sharon Boatright.....sharon.boatwright@amd.com
..... 512-653-5554

WEBMASTER

Sally Iwanskisiwanski3minis@gmail.com

SECURITY

Ron Urias..... rurias@farmersagent.com
..... 512-923-1988

ASSOC. MANAGER

Judy Phelps, Community Association Manager
Pioneer Real Estate Services
611 S. Congress Ave, Suite 510; Austin, TX 78704
Phone: 512-447-4496 x125 • Cell: 512-300-8147
Fax: 512-443-3757
judy@pioneeraustin.com
PioneerAustin.com

HOA WEB SITE

Sendera HOA Web Site: www.senderahoa.com

NEWSLETTER INFO

NEWSLETTER PUBLISHER

Peel, Inc. 512-263-9181
Article Submissions www.peelinc.com
Advertising..... advertising@PEELinc.com

Safety Issues

Submitted by Todd Moore

CAMP DISCOVERED IN PIPELINE

The Board recently became aware of a homeless person living in a make-shift camp well hidden in a small grove of trees on the pipeline between Walsall Loop and Bremner. A Board member stumbled upon the encampment while walking. Most worrisome was that this person also had a fire lit. Needless to say this is quite troublesome for the community as we certainly don't need an accidental fire similar to the one Oakhill suffered not long ago.

Both APD and AFD were called and this person was detained for a short time. With the help of Pioneer, the encampment has been removed and the area has been cleaned up. To minimize the appeal for future vagrancy, "No Trespassing" signs will be installed and a general pruning of all the small pockets of wooded areas between Sendera Mesa and Struie will be performed at a date to be determined.

Out of an abundance of safety considerations the Board deemed it necessary to notify you as quickly as possible as it may be hard to predict if or when this person may try to re-establish the camp. Should you encounter such a person do NOT confront them but do call 911 to report the trespassing and please notify a Board member.

COYOTE ATTACK IN BACKYARD

There has been at least one coyote attack reported recently that resulted in the death of a pet cat. The attack took place in a backyard that backs up to the pipeline. This coyote had no trouble jumping over the fence into the backyard. Your pets may be at greater risk if your house backs up to a greenbelt, park, or pipeline.



SENDERA RECREATION COMMITTEE NEWS

MARCH 2014

Submitted by Suzann Vera

Be informed- get on the Recreation Committee e-mail distribution list to receive monthly updates and occasional requests for volunteers by contacting Suzann at suzannchili@sbcglobal.net 512-291-0714. Any help is most appreciated- whatever your schedule allows. Next meeting: Wednesday March 19, 2014 @ 6pm 8817 Whiteworth Loop.

SENDERA SPRING EVENTS

Check future newsletters, the Sendera Facebook Page, and www.senderahoa.com for event details:

- March 10-14 AISD Spring Break
- March 17 St. Patrick's Day
- April 4 & 5 Spring Garage Sale
- April 11 Easter Egg Nighttime Hunt for Teens ages 9+
- April 12 Easter Egg Hunt for ages 0-8
- May 24 & 25 Memorial Day Weekend BBQ Cook Off, parade, & square dance
- June 5 Run Into Summer Fun Run/ Pool Party

SENDERA SPRING GARAGE SALE

The Sendera Spring Garage Sale will be held April 4 & 5 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.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Easter Egg Hunt is now 2 days (depending on age group) and we must have volunteers to put on this event! Help will be needed both before and the day of the event! The Age Divisions for the Easter Egg Hunt are: 3 and Under, 4 -8 yrs old, and 9+ yrs old. There is a lot of preparation work that goes into pulling off the Easter Egg Hunt each year. Please volunteer by sending an email to sharon.boatwright@amd.com or call her at 512-653-5554. Hoping to hear from some of you. Thanks!

******If your child will participate**

please drop off 1 dozen filled eggs to

9101 Hoffman Cove by Thursday April 10th!****

Friday April 11 Easter Egg Nighttime Hunt for Teens ages 9+ 9101 Hoffman Cove from 6:30-9:00 p.m. for a glow stick hunt, games, and pizza party! Participants should bring flashlights.

Saturday April 12 Easter Egg Hunt for ages 0-8 at the playscape by the pool 10-12:00. The Easter Bunny will drop by to take pictures with the children and lead the Bunny Hop dance. Join us for games, dancing, piñatas, refreshments, prizes, and a great Easter Egg Hunt. Agenda for Saturday Egg Hunt:

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND BARBECUE COOK-OFF

Don't miss the Tenth 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 30th to proceed with the weekend's events! See entry forms in next 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 291-0714 or suzannchili@sbcglobal.net.

SQUARE DANCE

Saturday May 24th: 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 do-si-do!

PATRIOTIC PARADE

Sunday May 25th: 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 ¼ mile up Sendera Mesa and around the Cook-off/Fair grounds.

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.

RUN INTO SUMMER FAMILY RUN

Sendera's 10th Annual Run Into Summer Family Run will be held on the last day of school for AISD children on Friday June 6th. Meet at the pool. The run will start at 7:00 p.m. It is only 1.2 miles in length so there is no excuse for not coming out and participating. You can run, walk, socialize, or volunteer.

PRE-REGISTRATION for this race is strongly encouraged. Please fill out the form below & drop it off in the envelope on the door of 9101 Hoffman Cove, marked 2012 Sendera Run into Summer. We (Rec Committee) tried to make the sign-up as simple as we could, but if you can't commit until the day of the event, please arrive by 6:30 p.m. Mark your calendars and/or start training to take home some extra hardware, but don't allow yourself to miss this FUN event!

If you have any question, or would like to help, contact Sharon: (512)-653-5554 or sharon.boatwright@amd.com.

Participant's NAME (first & last): _____

AGE on June 6, 2014: _____ GENDER: _____

Plan Ahead for Spring Makeovers

Submitted by Ron Urias

Spring is upon us and for many that means the season to spruce up the yard and maybe start a project or two. We want to remind anyone with plans to paint, alter the front yard or build a structure of some kind that you must submit an application to the architectural control committee PRIOR to starting any work. Our web site (www.senderahoa.org) has the forms for you to fill out as well as information on approved materials.

Tom Franke and I are available to answer questions, make suggestions and help you with your plans especially because many of you may not be from Texas, are not familiar with our covenants and guidelines, or have never owned a home before. We will even come over to your house to help.

While we're at it, please take the time to clear shrubs, vines, cacti and tree limbs from encroaching into the sidewalk. Your cactus with sharp thorns may be low enough to injure pets or young children along the walkway. The City of Austin also requires that you keep tree limbs cut up at least 10 feet above the sidewalk.

BURGLARY PREVENTION TIPS

- Know your neighbors! (Minimum: both sides & 3 across the street)
- Keep brush trimmed/cut in view of front door
- Alternate sounds and lights left on in house when not at home.
- Contact APD for a FREE home security survey
- Install strike plates for bolted doors with 3 inch screws, quality heavy duty dead bolt lock with 1 inch bolt, & quality heavy duty lock in knob set with dead latch mechanism
- When replacing entrance doors consider solid core or metal doors
- Keep garages closed
- Keep parked cars locked

Since getting to know your neighbors is one of the best things you can do to fight neighborhood crimes, consider organizing a block pot luck, walk, social, ice cream party, or other activity to meet and greet neighbors!



Need a Realtor?

Why not call Sendera's
TOP SELLING agent?

Madeline lists and sells more homes than any other agents.
She will get the job done!

Specializing in Sendera and a
resident since 1998

Madeline Mansen, Realtor®

Madeline@PeggyWest.com

(512) 291-4400

www.PeggyWest.com

GARAGE THOSE PROJECT VEHICLES

Submitted by Ron Urias

Sendera is a master planned community governed by a set of covenants, conditions and restrictions (DCCRs). The Board of Directors wants to do everything possible to help maintain and increase the values of our properties. Section 3.13 of our rules governs how vehicles must be parked. It states that all vehicles must have current registration and inspection stickers and that repair work other than emergency repairs must be done in an enclosed garage.

This spring we have started notifying those residents who have a car or truck in the driveway that hasn't been driven in years and is falling apart to move them. We encourage anyone with a vehicle that is currently not working to clear out a spot in the garage and push it out of sight, or find some other way of removing them from the driveway (donating is one good option).

If you know of a vehicle like the ones described please feel free to bring them to the attention of our Management Company or contact with one of our board members.

Pipeline / Greenbelt Dumping

Submitted by Todd Moore

Please be respectful of our community and refrain from dumping your tree clippings, lawn refuse, or trash into our pipeline or greenbelt areas. It not only costs the HOA \$\$ for cleanup, but is a fire hazard, attracts vermin and is illegal. Future dumping will result in fines and be reported to APD. You are strongly encourage to clean up your litter as there will be a more thorough inspection soon and any trash located directly behind your fence will assumed to be yours and appropriate action will be taken.



JOIN US FOR GOLF AND A GREAT CAUSE!

DATE: Wednesday, April 30th

11:00 am Registration - 1:00 pm Start

LOCATION: Flintrock Falls Country Club

FORMAT: 4-person scramble

COST: \$165 per golfer*

*Includes lunch, dinner and lots of swag

Register online at:

www.colinshope.org

Questions about the event?

Contact Amy Domecq

or Tracie Garvens

amy.domecq@colinshope.org

(512) 470-9470

we
envision
a WORLD
where
CHILDREN
DO NOT DROWN

WWW.COLINSHOPE.ORG

**Want to improve the IRS?
Speak up!
We can't help you if we
can't hear you.**



**Taxpayer
Advocacy Panel**
IMPROVING THE IRS

Call 1-888-912-1227 or visit our
Web site at www.improveirs.org

Water Restrictions Reminder

RESIDENTIAL		COMMERCIAL		PUBLIC SCHOOLS	
Hose-End Sprinklers BEFORE 10 AM or AFTER 7 PM	Automatic Irrigation BEFORE 5 AM or AFTER 7 PM	Hose-End Sprinklers BEFORE 10 AM or AFTER 7 PM	Automatic Irrigation BEFORE 5 AM or AFTER 7 PM	Hose-End Sprinklers BEFORE 10 AM or AFTER 7 PM	Automatic Irrigation BEFORE 5 AM or AFTER 7 PM
Even Address Sunday	Even Address Thursday	Even Address Tuesday		Monday	
Odd Address Saturday	Odd Address Wednesday	Odd Address Friday			

STAGE 2 WATER RESTRICTIONS



SUMMER STARTS HERE

22 SUMMER CAMP
LOCATIONS
Travis, Bastrop & Hays
Counties

- JUNE 9 – AUG 22
7:30am – 6pm weekdays
- Ages 4 thru 14
- Kinder, Theme, Sports & Adventure Camps
- Financial Assistance Available


SWIM LESSON
REGISTRATION
OPEN!

SOUTHWEST FAMILY YMCA
6219 Oakclaire Dr & Hwy 290
512.891.YMCA
AustinYMCA.org

**BIRDS
BARBERSHOP
NOW OPEN**
— on —
SLAUGHTER LN
5000 w slaughter lane
512-758-7800

*katie, apparel major
ladybird, \$44*

**BIRDS
BARBERSHOP**

walk in or call ahead • birdsbarbershop.com

photo by alison narro

**NOT AVAILABLE
ONLINE**

At no time will any source be allowed to use The Sendera Newsletter's 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 Pine Brook Periodical is exclusively for the private use of the Pine Brook HOA and Peel, Inc.

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.

SetonER.com

Hold your place in line and reduce your wait time
in the Emergency Room to 15 minutes or less.



7900 FM-1826 Austin, Texas 78737 512-324-9000

*SetonER.com is for minor emergencies only. If you are experiencing
a life-threatening emergency, go directly to the ER or dial 9-1-1.*

Powered by **InQuicker**.com
WALK YOUR PLACE ONLINE

LOG ON.



SHOW UP.



BE SEEN.®





PEEL, INC.

308 Meadowlark St.
Lakeway, TX 78734-4717

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

SN



LET US HELP YOU
GROW YOUR NEXT

**BIG
IDEA**



PEEL, INC.
printing & publishing

CONTACT US TODAY!

512.263.9181

OR VISIT

PEELINC.COM