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HOLIDAY SLEIGH RIDE

DECEMBER 20TH · 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Ho, Ho, Neighbors! The magic of the holidays is almost upon us and Santa will soon be on his way to greet all the girls and boys of Avery Ranch.

Join Santa, Mrs. Claus and the Social Committee Elves for a fun time.

Saturday, December 20th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. at the MAC (main activity center) Morningside.

Visit with Santa, (seated by the fireplace at the main pool area) while enjoying hot cider, cocoa, cookies and holiday music.

Take a leisurely ride on one of the three festive decorated horse

drawn wagons. You and your family can relax and enjoy beautiful holiday decorations. Wagons will be located near the tennis courts at the Morningside Park.

Mrs. Claus will be delighting us with stories and will have some small goodies to give away.

Come on out and enjoy the fun, meet your wonderful neighbors and celebrate the holiday spirit!

Volunteer help is always appreciated and needed. If you would like to volunteer for this event, please contact Rita Rear at rdrear@gmail.com



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For questions or concerns in your neighborhood contact our Property Manager and HOA Board at GetHelp@ AveryRanchHOA.com.

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WITH YOU!

Did you know there are several ways you can connect with Avery Ranch residents and board members? Want to know where the best place is to get information regarding activities, concerns, assistance, or just want to know what the community has to offer? Have a question for a board member or need to contact the property management company? We have many online sources that can get you on the path to communicating with Avery Ranch folks from our website, to Facebook, and Twitter are just a few.

Avery Ranch Official Website:

www.averyranchhoa.com

Avery Ranch Owners Association Official Facebook Group:

www.facebook.com/averyranchhao.com

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Avery Ranch Neighborhood Events Official Facebook Page:

https://www.facebook.com/ ARNeighborhoodEvents

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Need help, information, or guidance? Send an email to:

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You can also find all board members contact info on both the AR website and the newsletter.



AROA BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MONTHLY MEETINGS

DECEMBER 8, 2014
JANUARY 12, 2015
7 PM, MAC MEETING ROOM

Topics may include general association business, including old business and new business, covenant enforcement and budgeting/assessment. Executive session matters may include contract negotiations, enforcement actions, confidential attorney communications, matters involving the invasion of owners' privacy, personnel matters, litigation, or matters involving parties who have requested confidentiality and the board has agreed to honor that request. For a detailed Agenda of the meeting, please visit www.averyranchhoa. com. Agenda is posted 72 hours before the meeting date.

2014 AVERY RANCH

UPCOMING EVENTS

Social Committee Monthly Meeting December 4th, 7 – 9 p.m. MAC Indoor Room

AR BOD Monthly Meeting December 8th, 7 p.m. (promptly) MAC Indoor Room

> Holiday Sleigh Ride December 20th, 6 – 8 p.m.



INTRODUCING THE AVERY RANCH TENNIS CLUB!

Our neighborhood tennis club is gearing up for it's inaugural season! The Avery Ranch Redfish Tennis Club has been organized exclusively for educational, competitive, and recreational tennis for the residents of Avery Ranch. With a full volunteer committee of chairpersons and the support of the Avery Ranch HOA Board, our 2015 season is ready to serve up a grand slam tennis program to you!

Our USA Tennis certified coach will be utilizing the USA Tennis 10 and Under lesson program for tennis.

Tennis Lessons include: Ages 4-6, 7-8, 9 – 10, Junior Tennis, Women's lessons, League Play, and Mixed Drills. The program will expand depending on participation and weather, so look for more exciting elements to be added in the Spring Time!

REGISTRATION will open on December 1st at 8:00 AM online at www.averyranchtennisclub.com. Lessons are offered on a monthly basis, more information and registration dates can be found on the website.

Registration is first on a "first come, first serve" basis. We anticipate the tennis lesson slots to fill up quickly and once at capacity a wait list will be initiated. Limits will be placed on age groups. Parents are required to stay onsite for lessons for the 4-6 age group.

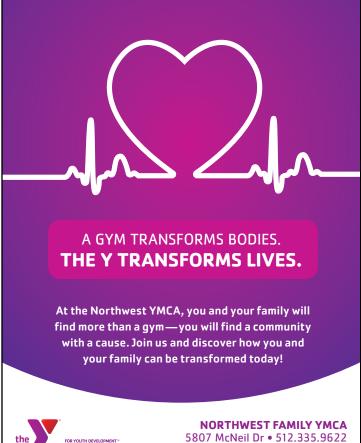
The tennis program will be utilizing courts 3, 4, & 5 and the schedule is available online as well as on the Avery Ranch HOA website.

Questions? Please contact Tennis@averyranchhoa.com

SHOUT OUT!

The Avery Ranch Homeowners Association is giving a shout out to the Avery Ranch Social Committee and to our latest community event sponsor-PLAZA DENTAL ARTS! We are grateful for the businesses who continue to support us: ISS Grounds control (our landscapers), Lifeline Aquatics (our pool company) and Randolph Brooks Federal Credit Union. They continue to make our neighborhood activities possible!





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Things are always better the second time around.... Please Join Us for Take Two!!



FIRST ANNUAL AVERY RANCH REDFISH POLAR BEAR **SPLASH**

Start 2015 off with a JOLT!

Avery Ranch Friends & Neighbors, come and join in the fun with a Polar Bear Splash hosted by your Avery Ranch Redfish.

When: 9:30am - 10:30am Thursday, January 1st, 2015 Where: MAC Pool Group Splash: 10:00 AM

Included in the fun:

- Inexpensive hot breakfast (with black eyed peas!), hot coffee and hot cocoa
 - Music, photos and fun!
 - 10 am group splash
 - Awards for all participants
 - Photographer

Optional Adult Relay in the works! Email chair@averyranchredfish.com if you are interested in participating in an Adult only Relay.

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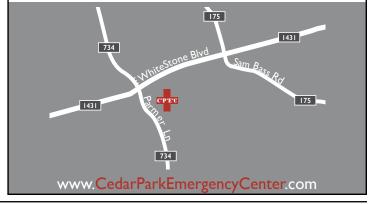
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Avery Ranch Holiday Bazaar

By W. Cavin Weber, Event Chair



On Saturday, November 8th, Avery Ranch Park was filled with over 80 local artists, arts and crafts vendors, jewelry vendors, 5 food trucks, as well as local business and services. All of these vendors participated in our annual Avery Ranch Holiday Bazaar.

The Austin Aquarium also joined us with several of their feathered and slimy creatures. The bazaar brought customers not only from Avery Ranch but from all over Greater Austin.

Attendees had the opportunity to win great prizes from the vendors in our hourly raffles. If you missed this year's event, look out for details on next year's event. Many thanks to all who were a part of this amazing event!









YOUR SCOUTING CORNER

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Boy Scouts of America recognizes this month as "Do a good turn" November. All scouts are encouraged to do even more good than they would normally through various community service activities. Our Avery Ranch Scouts gave back right here in our neighborhood.

On November 1st our Troop 371 Scoutmaster, Felix, offered Intro To Leadership Skills Training for our newly elected patrol leaders as well as offering an Axe yard class for Second class rank advancement.

November 11th is Veteran's Day, and in recognition of that day, Patsy Sommer Elementary held a very special assembly honoring our veterans. A wall of honor was created that included information about students' family members who served (or are serving) in all branches of our military. Pack 371 conducted the flag ceremony for the event. It was great to see our boys in their uniforms honoring the men and women who have worn the various uniforms of our military forces.

This time of year also marks the beginning of the holiday season. Diwali kicked it off with twinkling lights and fireworks, and soon the Christmas shopping begins. Many people in our community started their shopping at the annual Avery Ranch Holiday Bazaar. The event provided an opportunity for our Cub and Boy Scouts to give back to our community as a few of them came out to help the vendors set up and clean up the booths.

Don't worry, it wasn't all work this month. Our scouts found plenty of time to have fun too. At the Fall Camp Out at Lake Georgetown several of our Cub Scout families got outside to enjoy the beauty of

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nature and unplug from the real world for a couple of days. The tents were pitched, the fishing hooks were baited, and the s'mores were roasted. Our Boy Scouts went camping at Goose Island State Park in October. Most of our scouts caught quite a bit of fish. This month our troop has invited Pack 371 Webelos II Den to our day long hike at Palmetto State Park.

Thanks to the older boys of Troop 371 who hosted a Halloween party for us, our Cub Scouts Pack 371 and our guests from Pack 333 enjoyed some good old-fashioned fun together playing games and running around the MAC. This month was action packed for sure, just the way Scouts like it!







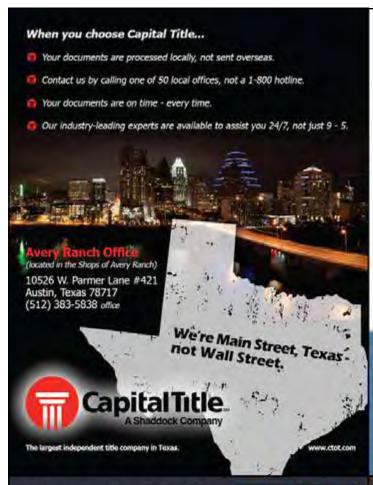
Butterfly Garden maintenance from Girl Scout Troop 1285

Thanks to our girls from Scout Troop 1285 for their help this past month in maintaining our butterfly garden at the Loleta pocket park. They learned about the different plants that were installed to best attract monarch butterflies on their migration across America.

If you have any questions about Scouting in Avery Ranch, please contact April Aguren at april.aguren@averyranchhoa.com and she can put you in touch with the right person.









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AVERY RANCH HARVEST HAYRIDE AND COSTUME CONTEST

Submitted by Rita Rear, Event Chair

The Avery Ranch Social Committee hosted the annual Harvest Hayride and Costume Contest on October 25th at the Morningside Park.

The highlight was The Dead Music Capital Band that rose for the occasion to provide bone shaking music for all to enjoy. This year there were three decorated wagons to ride and fun activities such as the pumpkin bean bag toss games and the pumpkin weight guessing contest for kids and adults. Congratulations to the contest winners, Patrick Van Horn and Susan McInnis. They each won a \$25.00 gift card to Brooklyn Heights Pizzeria. Thanks to Brooklyn Heights Pizzeria for donating the prizes.

The little ones were dressed in their cutest, scariest and most original costumes. The temperature was in the high 80's so ice cold

apple cider and ice water were served along with an assortment of delicious cookies. The children enjoyed Halloween stickers and each received a toy pumpkin with surprise toys inside.

Special thanks to the Avery Ranch Social Committee volunteers for making our community Harvest Hayride possible. Most of all, thanks to everyone that joined the fun and made this event a success!

Check out all the great pictures taken by Animesh Charkraborty posted on the Avery Ranch Owners Association Facebook Group page.

The Social Committee meets the first Thursday of each month from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. The meeting location can vary, so please send an email to arsc@averyranchhoa.com for the meeting location.

Volunteers are a gift to the community



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