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This month's cover photo was submitted by Steiner Ranch resident Arnie Jew. The photo was taken during last year's Fourth of July Parade in Steiner Ranch.

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Would you like to see your photo published? We are looking for great cover photos for the upcoming May issue of the Ranch Record.

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- Be of High Resolution (240 dpi or higher)
- Prefer "portrait" orientation

We'd love to have something that pertains to this time of the year in some way, so be creative and give it a try. Our July 2015 issue submittal deadline is June 8th and photos should be submitted electronically by the deadline date to the Association office at mack@ steinerranchhoa.org.

By submitting your photo you agree to allow your photo to be published in future issues of the Ranch Record or other Steiner Ranch publications.



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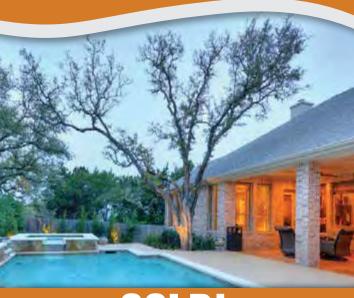
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Around Steiner



In the United States, Independence Day, or the Fourth of July, is a holiday that commemorates the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, declaring our independence from Great Britain. As in other parts of the country, Independence Day here in Steiner Ranch is celebrated with family barbeques, picnics in the park and patriotic parades. I hope you will join me at our annual Steiner Ranch parade and festivities, all graciously organized by Steiner Ranch Mom's & Tots and the Steiner Ranch HOA.

While I don't suggest that we shouldn't celebrate, I do need to remind everyone that the section of the Steiner Ranch Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions (CC&R's) entitled Hazardous Activities SPECIFICALLY forbids fireworks within Steiner Ranch, unless prior written board approval has been granted for professional pyrotechnic shows meeting all mandated safety requirements.

There are a number of reasons for this prohibition. I won't go into detail on them here, but it goes without saying that the danger of starting a fire in the greenbelts or preserve or in a tree of a neighbor's house that eventually spreads to that house is real. For this reason, fireworks and firecrackers are and will remain, prohibited in Steiner Ranch. If you observe someone shooting off fireworks in your neighborhood, please call the Sheriff's Office and report it.

On another note, for the past several weeks Steiner Ranch neighborhoods have been victimized by random actions of vandalism and theft. While the thefts and senseless destruction of private property are disturbing in and of themselves, the terrible feeling that you have been violated and the anger that follows doesn't leave you for a very long time. The thieves and vandals that plague our community could, and sometimes do, live among us, thus adding to the senselessness of hurting and damaging a neighbor.

We need to start being proactive in protecting our properties. A common factor in the auto thefts and break-ins is that individuals living behind a gate feel that they are protected from such senseless acts and sometimes leave their cars left unlocked with the keys in the ignition. Don't give these degenerates the satisfaction of victimizing you. Remember to remove your valuables from your car and lock it. In addition, when at home, leave the garage doors down, and lock the doors. In addition, if you see a suspicious-looking person or vehicle in your neighborhood, be sure to contact the Sheriff's Office.

Steiner Ranch is a wonderful community. Many of us have come here from other urban areas in order to escape theft and other property-associated crime. Having a cop on every corner is not as effective as having each homeowner looking out for the neighbors. Once again, if you see someone or something that looks out of place in your neighborhood, take action. Don't wait for someone else to do so.

Thank you, Randy

Mark Your Calendars

2015 Steiner Ranch Events

7/3 - Decorate your Ride - TS Pavilion

7/4 - Independence Day Parade - TS Pavilion

8/8 - Movies in The Park - The Blind Side

8/15 - Concert in the Park

9/12 - Fall Garage Sale

10/9 - 10/11 - Fall Scrapathon

10/18 - Pumpkin Patch

10/25 - Halloween Trunk or Treat

11/7 - Camping on the Ranch

11/14 - Holiday Shopping Event & Santa Photos

12/12 - Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

Dec - Holiday House Decorating Contest

Got a great idea for an event? What to get involved with helping with an event? Contact Sharon Adams, Community Manager at 512-266-7553 or sharon@steinerranchhoa.org.

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SATURDAY, JULY 4TH 9AM-11AM TOWNE SQUARE COMMUNITY CENTER

Start your Independence Day bright and early at the annual Steiner Ranch 4th of July celebration! All Steiner Ranch residents, families & friends are invited to attend this fun, festive and family-focused event, sponsored by the SR Social Committee/HOA and organized by Steiner Ranch Moms & Tots.

The event will take place on Saturday, July 4th from 9am—11am. To better accommodate parking and more accessible parade route, this year's event will once again be held at Town Square Community Center.

The parade will kick off at 9am, so please arrive on time and line up for participation. Children are invited to bring their decorated bikes, wagons, scooters, and strollers to participate in the parade. Parents participate on foot, and local businesses will again have vehicles in this year's parade. We will again gather to decorate bikes and kid's "rides" prior to the event—see below for details.

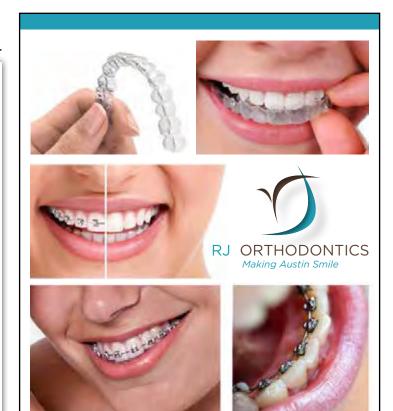
Other activities at the event will include games and activities, water slide and bounce house, kiddie splash area, chalk and bubbles, and local entertainment. Enjoy face painting, balloon twisting, a DJ, food, prizes and a visit from the Lake Travis Fire Department! Make sure to bring towels for the water slide and your wallets for food purchases.

If your business or organization is interested in participating in the event, or if you or your child are looking for volunteer hours, please contact Morgan Briscoe at: morgan.briscoe@gmail.com or (512)413-6112.

WANT TO GET TOGETHER TO DECORATE YOUR PARADE RIDE OF CHOICE?

Get Ready For the 4th--sponsored by Steiner Moms & Tots Friday, July 3, 2015, 4 - 6 PM | Towne Square Pavilion Come decorate your bikes, wagons, and strollers for the 4th of July parade. We'll have a supply of streamers, stickers and other decor as well as a patriotic snack and drinks for the kids. Kona Ice will be onsite, and will be providing free Kona Ice to the first 50 participating kids. Bring your "parade wheels" and any other supplies and decor that will your ride pretty and patriotic! Some good options include pinwheels, string and metal cans, streamers and balloons.

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You can support SRNA by becoming a member. You can join, find out meeting details, and community information at: www.steinerranchna.org.

SUMMER CAMPS

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Camps have started!! Many camps are still accepting registration, so look for current information on-line at www.steinerranchhoa.org. Here are of some of the summer camps we will be offering:

- Lonestar Soccer Camp
- Brown's Gymnastics/Cheer Camp
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available for purchase, with the exception of alcohol, and website at www.steinerranchconcerts.com.

The Steiner Ranch Summer Concert in the Park returns attendees are welcome to bring their own refreshments. Join your neighbors and friends for a great time of music,

The Concert benefits Leander ISD's program to purchase Games and activities for the entire family will include school supplies for districts less fortunate and is organized inflatables, interactive games, video games, face painting, by the Steiner Ranch Social Committee and Homeowners Association. You can get more information on the charity, Food and beverages from local restaurants will be what the needs are and how to donate at the concert's

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JULY ACTIVITIES

SOME OF OUR REGULAR ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

Biking Group - An active group of Steiner residents bike in and around Steiner Ranch about 15 to 20 miles every Saturday and Wednesday. They meet at Cups and Cones at 9:00 am on Wednesdays and Sundays. For details, contact Richard Ellenbogen at rellenbogen747@yahoo.com.

Book Club - The Book Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Contact Cheryl Howard at cchoward 24@gmail.com for information about upcoming selections.

Bridge (Ladies Social) - Ladies Social Bridge meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays in players' homes. Right now there is just a substitute list but a new group has been started playing on different days and may have openings for more players. If you have questions or are interested in playing, please contact Nancy Harger at n_harger@yahoo.com.

Bridge (Couples) - If you are interested in joining the group, please contact Dottie Thoms at dottie.thoms@gmail.com.

Bunco (Ladies) - A fun evening playing this easy dice game on the third Thursday of each month at the Bella Mar Community Center. Currently the group is at capacity. To have your name added to the the Substitute List, please contact Linda Mikolajek at miko4@msn.com or Ruth Isaacson at rcisaacson@gmail.com.

Card-Making - Create beautiful and unique greeting cards. Both experienced crafters and newcomers are welcome. Group leaders provide samples for inspiration and share specialty tools such as stamps, punches and dies. For more information, contact Candyce Welch at twinsiscandy@gmail.com.

Canasta (Ladies Daytime) - A casual game of the Hand & Foot version of Canasta is played on alternate Fridays. Easy to learn - we'll teach you. To play with this group, please contact Vicky Bradley at vickylbradley@gmail.com.

Canasta (Evening) - Join the group of semi-serious Canasta players - both men and women. We play Hand and Foot after enjoying a light potluck supper on the second Monday of every month. For more information, please contact Barbara Clark at bkc429@yahoo.com.

CLEO (Classy Ladies Eating Out) - On the first Wednesday we meet at a nearby restaurant to enjoy good food, conversation and friendship. Come to lunch, meet people and learn more about Young at Heart. For more information contact Lidia Schmidt at L79D@aol.com.

Dinner Groups - Groups of four couples are organized to get together either in restaurants or in each other's homes. Each couple acts as the host one time and either selects the restaurant or - when in a home prepares the entree with the others bringing the side dishes. This is a nice way for people to get to know each other better. If you would like to participate, please contact Karen Steans at kjsteans@gmail.com.

Epicureans - This is an activity for people who like to cook, eat and entertain. Demonstrations by chefs, visits to specialty food shops and more. Epicurean events take place 4-5 times a year. For information, contact Dottie Thoms at dottie.thoms@gmail.com.

Euchre - Many of us are just learning this easy trump card game popular in the Midwest. Kathy Finley is teaching and coaching us. Let her know

if you'd like to join the group and learn. We meet at various locations on alternate Fridays.. Contact Kathy Finley for details at jfinley825@aol.com.

Exploring Austin - Several times a year Exploring Austin plans a visit to a local Austin or Hill Country attraction ranging from art to history and food! Recently we have gone to the Painted Churches, a tour of the DKR Stadium at UT, the "Making of Gone With the Wind Exhibit" at the Ransom Center, Austin City Limits tour and more. For information, please contact Ethel Bradford at emb43@sbcglobal.net.

Gourmet Dining - If you enjoy cooking and eating gourmet meals, Gourmet Dining is for you! Featuring theme dinners, regional cuisines, chef-inspired menus, etc, groups of not more than 8 people prepare and enjoy friendship and good food. For more information, please contact Dottie Thoms at dottie.thoms@gmail.com.

Happy Hour - Happy Hours are held in alternate months with Wine Socials. Young at Hearts meet at a selected restaurant for Happy Hour - a great way to meet new people in a casual atmosphere. Our next Happy Hour will be July 15th at The Oasis. Contact Linda Bergquist at lsbergquist5@ yahoo.com for information and to RSVP.

Hiking - We explore the various hiking trails right here in Steiner Ranch. The views are fantastic and the hikes vary in difficulty. For details, please contact Ben Rosin at brosin1023@gmail.com.

International Dining - A group of adventurous eaters enjoy trying the cuisines of various countries and cultures together. It is open to all - couples, singles and those whose spouses don't like trying different foods. The people vary each month depending on the cuisine featured. For more information, please contact Dottie Thoms at dottie.thoms@gmail.com.

Mah Jongg - Whether an experienced player or new to Mah Jongg, you are welcome to come. We'll teach new players. Mah Jongg is a good way to keep your brain "young" - it takes some concentration and strategy - not a casual social game. Players will need to have a current Mah Jongg card. Games take place in players' homes. If you'd like to play and want more information, please contact Gail Ellenbogen at gellenbo@yahoo.com.

Mexican Train (Dominoes) - Ladies Daytime - On the first Monday of each month the group meets to play Mexican Train in the home of one of the players. Mexican Train is a simple Dominoes game with Dominoes placed end to end with matching halves touching each other. A relaxing afternoon of fun! If you'd like to join the ladies, please email Janet Schriner at jgschriner@austin.rr.com .

Mexican Train (Dominoes) - Evening - On the third Monday of every month, a group comprised of both men and women meet for a light potluck supper at the home of one couple and then play Mexican Train for about 3 hours. Join us for an evening of fun and friendly competition! Details: Gail Ellenbogen at gellenbo@yahoo.com.

Movie Lovers - Contact Diana O'Reilly if you'd like to participate. These movie buffs meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month to view the film together and then get together afterward to discuss the movie while enjoying

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dinner at a nearby restaurant. Those who cannot see the movie with the group can view it on their own and then meet the group for dinner and discussion. About a week before the discussion, Diana will contact everyone on her list to tell them the name of the movie and the time and place to meet. Diana's email is dbor46@aol.com.

Painting Group - Carol Witt teaches Watercolor while Bonnie Wilcynski and Carol Kneisley will be teaching other genres. If you are interested in art and would like to learn more, please contact Carol Witt at carolsuewitt@gmail.com.

ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out) - On the second Monday of every month the men get together at a restaurant in the area to enjoy good food and friendship. It's a great opportunity to relax and to meet a very interesting group of men with varied backgrounds. Please contact Rick Steans at rasteans@gmail.com to learn more.

Spanish Conversation - This group of Spanish speakers gets together in a social setting for an opportunity to converse in Spanish. It includes native Spanish speakers, people who want to refresh their Spanish conversational skills as well as those who know some Spanish and are trying to improve accents and actually carry on a conversation in Spanish. Contact Maureen Michel at momichel 17@gmail.com if you want to know more.

SWEET (Single Women Enjoying Eating Together) - The Single Ladies Dinner Group is a small gathering that meets monthly to explore dining choices in and around Austin. A wide variety of restaurants are explored -

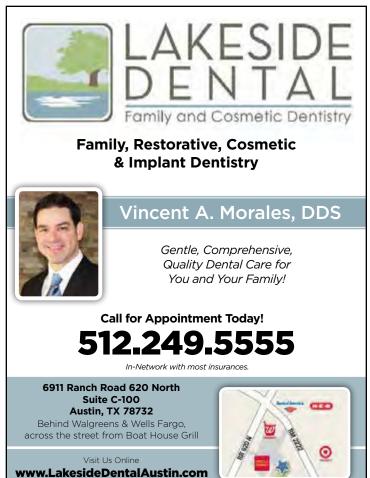
discover new places while enjoying the company of interesting women. For information, please contact Ellen Honey at eshoney 10@mac.com. .

Technology Group - At our monthly meetings on the second Thursdays at the Towne Square Community Center we discuss both PCs and macs and cover such things as Smartphones, Tablets, Photo Sharing, Facebook, the Cloud, Computer Security and more. During the summer there are no regular meetings; there are small group workshops covering specific subjects. To learn more about this, please contact Fred Thoms at texasthoms@gmail.com.

Walking Group - Every Thursday - rain or shine - a large group of men and women meets at Cups and Cones at 8:30 am and branches out from there. The walks last about an hour and groups of people walk at different speeds. It's more fun to walk with someone. To participate, contact Emilie Dacunto at emiliedev43@yahoo.com. She maintains a contact list to notify everyone of any changes - location, time, weather.

Wine Socials - Every other month we have a Wine Social in the home of a member. Everyone brings their beverage of choice and an appetizer to share. Meet old friends and new ones for a casual social evening. Our next Wine Social will be in August.

All Young at Heart activities are announced in the monthly and weekly bulletins emailed to all Young at Heart members. To receive these announcements, please just contact Dottie Thoms at dottie.thoms@gmail.com or at 512-820-5980 or at 512-531-9360.





Who Are The People In Your NEIGHBORHOOD?

By: Adam and Tonya Stahl

This month we sat down with Mike Thompson, owner and executive chef for NOLA Kitchen. Mike, his wife Lori, and son Jake, have lived in Steiner Ranch for approximately 6 years. The Thompson's relocated to Austin from "NOLA", New Orleans, Louisiana, after Hurricane Katrina.

Mike and his family had a beautiful life in New Orleans, where Mike was living his dream of being a chef. Mike's love of cooking began as a child, as he helped his family through the days of his mother's ongoing back issues, by cooking for them. Mike prepared the family meals employing his mother's recipes and techniques.

Initially, Mike's passion for cooking was sidelined while he attended LSU, both as an undergraduate, and then later as a master's candidate at the LSU School of Behavioral Sciences. He waited tables throughout college at an upscale Italian restaurant called Maggios. The chef, Enzo, noticed Mike knew his way around the kitchen and offered him an opportunity to assist him. This is when Mike decided to pursue his true passion. He withdrew from the masters program at LSU in the first semester to attend the prestigious "Johnson and Wales Culinary School", where he graduated with the University Director's Distinguished Graduate Award. Mike went on to work in renowned restaurants in St. Louis and New Orleans, where he continued refining his talent.

Mike attained his ultimate goal when he started his own catering business in NOLA, called Chef du Jour. Chef du Jour was thriving until the day the rains of Hurricane Katrina started, and just did not stop. Hurricane Katrina completely ruined his business, and his neighborhood became a wasteland. Mike and his family were forced to evacuate to Baton Rouge for 9 weeks, where Mike secured work with Whole Foods. He enjoyed his job as a chef in the Whole Foods Tratoria. There, he had the opportunity to both cook for, and mingle with, guests, which is what he enjoys most.

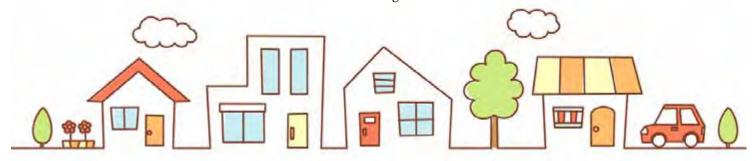
Thanks to his talent and hard work, Whole Foods asked Mike to

help reopen the New Orleans location. While he and his family were thrilled to have the opportunity to be back home in New Orleans for 4 years, they knew they needed to leave for a better educational system for their son Jake. At Mike's request, Whole Foods transferred him to Austin, where he continued to interact with customers and cook for them at its Lamar location. Though happy with his role at Whole Foods, Mike continued to carry his Chef du Jour business cards, and catering dreams, with him.

Then, while fueling his car at the Steiner Ranch Wag A Bag, the course of his life changed. There, Mike complimented a man on his beautiful car, and the man recognized Mike's NOLA accent. The stranger casually mentioned how much he longed for an authentic Cajun meal from his former New Orleans home. Mike said "you are in luck", and handed the man his catering business card. Next thing Mike knew, he and his wife were preparing to feed 150 guests at the man's ranch, NOLA style. That catering job lead to more catering opportunities, and, before long, Mike had developed enough business to restart his catering business full time- and NOLA Kitchen was born

With NOLA Kitchen, Mike brings a casual cooking show and experience to clients and their guests, complete with Bananas Foster cooked table-side. He can do a crawfish boil like no other, or prepare an elegant sit down dinner NOLA style. Mike takes the time to meet with his clients to understand their vision, budget, style, and tone for their dining experience. Mike utilizes his clients' ideas, and turns them into spectacular events that are unique and memorable for all. For more information on NOLA Kitchen please visit nolakitchen. com online by email mike@nolakitchen.com or call Chef Mike 512-751-7957

If you own a local business and are interested in being featured please contact Adam Stahl adam@agrslaw.com or Tonya Stahl tonya@agrslaw.com.





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By Kimberly McLaughlin

This month I am doing a repeat of one of my first articles. We were still kind of getting the hang of the article at that time and I wanted to show off these photos in a little larger fashion.

"WOW" is the only word I can think of to describe what I am about to share with you this month. Get ready to drool guys because this is the ultimate MAN CAVE. Funny I used that term because the original inspiration for this master piece started when the husband was watching a tv show called "Man Cave" on the DIY Network. He spent about 5 years dreaming up this concept and spent about 7 months making it come to life. One of the reasons why it took as long as it did to implement, and another thing I really respect about these guys, is that they did the project in stages so that they could pay for each stage in full as they went along.

This man cave is complete with Big Screen TV viewing room, amazing custom bar and Shuffle Board Room complete with a beautifully crafted buffet. The idea was to create the ultimate place to entertain friends – talk about over achievers.

So what went into creating this masterpiece? They had to start by knocking down a few walls to open up the space but to do so they had to add structural support. They covered these structure beams with wood to beautify the space. The big screen is a 120" screen and has a projection system. In case that wasn't enough TV for you, he also added two 50" tvs and one 40" tv around the space so you will never be out of range of any sporting event.

From there we move to the bar. It literally took my breath away the first time I saw it. Remember the bar in "Cheers"? Well this blows that away! This bar is complete with 2 side by side refrigerators, an icemaker, kegerator with 2 taps, dishwasher and sink with garbage disposal. He built cabinets under the bar (instead of just open space and shelves) to store all those things you need at a bar but aren't pretty to look at. The back drop has hanging glass front cabinets with beautiful crystal and spot light shelves that house his prized sports paraphernalia. Four pendant lights hang over the bar to give it that ambient lighting you expect in a high class establishment. A brass foot rail was installed so when you are sitting in one of the 9 full bar chairs you can be extra comfortable. Yes I said 9 full, swivel bar chairs. Now look closely at the granite top – it is truly amazing. The pictures don't do it justice but what you are seeing is a double, chiseled edge granite that they used for the bar and the buffet.

The buffet was an important addition. This is where food is presented so that the bar isn't encumbered. Also, it means their guests don't have to reach over other people at the bar to get to the food. The buffet is located in the shuffle board room with the other 4 TVs. They chose an elegant hanging light and placed two, small caged fans to finish off this amazing entertaining space.

These guys thought of everything. I think I might even be able to get past all the "49er" trophies to hang out with them and enjoy their amazing space.

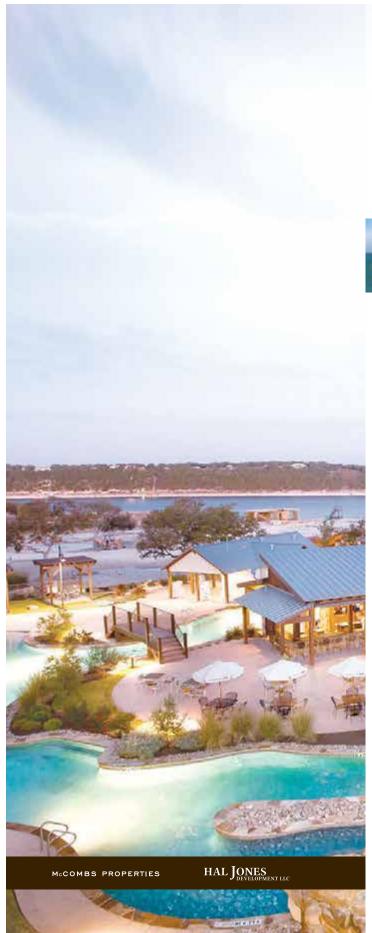
Interested in sharing your unique décor or remodel however big or small? Please contact me at Kimberly@REDinAustin.com. The only requirement is that the home be in Steiner Ranch.







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John Simpson 2015 Swim Lesson Schedule

Session #1

All classes are Tuesday – Friday
Beginner Classes: 6/9 – 6/19 9:15am – 10am
Intermediate Classes: 6/23 – 7/03 9:15am – 10am
Advanced Classes: 7/07 – 7/17 6:00 – 6:45pm
Session #2

All classes are Tuesday – Friday Beginner Classes: 7/21 – 7/31 5:30 – 6:15pm Intermediate Classes: 8/04 – 8/14 5:30 – 6:15pm Advanced Classes:8/18 – 8/28 6:00 – 6:45pm

Beginner: The purpose of the beginner program is to help children feel comfortable in the water while teaching the first steps towards being a comfortable swimmer. Children at this level may be apprehensive to swim without assistance of a parent or instructor. At this level the emphasis of the class I to develop safe pool behavior, adjust to the water, and develop independent movement in the water.

Intermediate: The purpose of the intermediate program is to give students fundamental skills for success in the water. Intermediate swim lesson participants learn to swim on their front and back, working towards proper swimming strokes.

*Participants in this class should feel comfortable putting their face in the water and able to motor forward 10 feet in the water.

Advanced: The purpose of the advanced program is to build on fundamental skills by teaching and perfecting stroke technique. Advanced swim lesson participants learn freestyle, backstroke, and begin working on breaststroke and butterfly. Swimmers that already know he strokes will work on improving stroke technique in order to be faster and more efficient in the water.

Contact information is available on the HOA website at www.steinerranchhoa.org. If you do not see a class that fits your schedule grab 2 friends and we can make a class just for you!



With 500 participants, the Steiner Stars Blue and Red swim teams continue to develop swimmers in the sport while teaching valuable life skills. July means that the Steiner Stars swim season is drawing to a close.

It warms one's heart to see the participants successfully learn new swim strokes through determination and proper instruction. Meanwhile, parents and swimmers show great sportsmanship by supporting and cheering for all at the swim meets.

When a swimmer earns an event time that equals or betters a qualifying standard, he/she is invited to swim at the Northwest Swim Circuit (NWSC) Invitation Meet at Texas A & M University in College Station. After two weekends of swim meets, the Stars program has over 120 Invitational qualifiers; the teams anticipate more qualifiers as the season progresses.

Both teams have their last dual meets on July 11th and then compete in championship meets within their respective NWSC divisions on July 12th. Stars Blue will travel to Pflugerville while Stars Red will swim at Anderson Mill. It will be exciting to see how swimmers have improved since May.

SHOOTING STARS

Coach Hollie Kenney and the Shooting Stars coaching team are back for another summer of developmental swim instruction. This program begins on July 14th and runs through August 6th. Practice days are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings from 7:30am to 12:30pm at John Simpson Pool. For registration details and more information, go to the Shooting Stars website at www.theshootingstars.org.

AGE GROUP PRACTICE TIMES

 7:30-8:30am
 5 year olds

 8:30-9:30am
 6 year olds

 9:30-10:30am
 7 year olds

 10:30-11:30am
 8 year olds

 11:30am-12:30pm
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Year Round Swimming Program for Adults

Come join the Masters Swim Program! The workouts are adjusted for everyone from beginners all the way to advanced -- no swim experience needed!! No intimidation allowed!! If you can swim one length of the pool, then you are ready to join in on the fun. Currently, we have "newbies" who haven't ever participated in organized adult swim classes, new and experienced triathletes who want to improve the swim part of their triathlons, and experienced master's swimmers looking to enjoy an organized swim workout. Regardless of your skill level, you will find a lane with swimmers who match your ability and enthusiasm.

OUR SWIM SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

- Wednesdays and Fridays at 5:30 a.m. until 6:45 a.m.
- Sundays at 6:30 a.m. until 7:45 a.m.
- \$50 per month for Residents

Come on and give it a try! It's easy to sign up:

- 1. You must be 18 yrs. and older.
- 2. Join U. S. Masters Swimming! To be eligible to compete in masters' meets, to get a great magazine, and for HOA insurance purposes, go to the United States Masters swimming website, www.usms.org/reg and join our team Red Giants Masters swimming. You can print your card immediately and take a copy to the HOA office.
- 3. Fill out the Program Registration form at the HOA office, provide a copy of your USMS card and check!

As this is a Year Round Program, it's a great way to meet new friends and be a part of a fun community of swimmers and neighbors!

DON'T BLOCK THE GATES

The Steiner Ranch HOA wants to remind you that blocking a gate open at the pools is a MAJOR safety concern. It only takes a second for a child to wonder off and make their way into an unattended pool area.

If you are attending a soccer game, visiting the playgrounds or pools, and you see a gate propped open, help us avoid the unthinkable risk of a child drowning. PLEASE close the gate!

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SUMMER POOL HOURS

BELLA MAR - (LAP POOL HEATED)

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The following programs will be using the lap pool:

Master's Swim Program – Wednesday & Friday 5:30am

– 6:45am; Sunday 6:30am – 7:45am

Stars Red - Tuesday - Friday 7:30am – 12:30pm

Stars Blue – Monday – Thursday 1:30pm – 6:30pm

TOWNE SQUARE - (UNHEATED)

Closed Monday until 12:00pm Open Tuesday – Sunday 8:00am – 10:00pm

JOHN SIMPSON – (UNHEATED)

Closed Monday until 2:00pm
Tuesday – Sunday open 8:00am – 10:00pm

The following programs will be using the lap pool:
Gold Stars Swimming – Tuesday & Thursday
3:45pm – 5:45pm

Swim Lessons - Monday – Thursday 9am – 10am

Please note **Lifeguards are not on duty. Swim at your own risk.

You can view the lap lane calendars online at www.steinerranchhoa.org under the amenity tab

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POOL CALENDARS ON-LINE!

Looking for swim schedules for the summer? You can view the Bella Mar and John Simpson lap pool calendars on-line. This is a great resource for planning trips to the pools!

Information provided includes when swim teams, camps, group lessons, master's program and water polo groups are at the pools, and how many lanes are being used. (Does not include private lesson info.) Remember that the Bella Mar lap pool is 8 lap lanes, and John Simpson lap pool is 6 lap lanes.

Go to www.steinerranchhhoa.org

How to view if you are logged in:

- 1. Click on the menu tab "Amenities"
- 2. Click on the amenity you wish to view
- 3. Scroll down to the 2nd calendar on the page specific to the pool
- 4. Once on the calendar, you can view it by Month, Week or Day

How to view if you are not logged in:

- 1. Click on the menu tab "About us"
- 2. Click on the drop down menu item "Amenities"
- 3. Follow steps 3 & 4 above

Stay logged in and bookmark these pages for easy access.

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No Diapers Allowed

As the swim season gears up, please be aware of the pool policy regarding children who are not potty-trained:

Children who are not potty-trained and who use swim diapers are not allowed in the Bella Mar Lap Pool.

ALL OTHER COMMUNITY POOLS:

Double diapers (swim diaper + plastic pants) must be worn by children who have not been completely toilet trained.

This policy is in place to help keep accidents from happening and reducing the need to close pools due to contamination.

Planning a Pool Party?

The Steiner Ranch pools are a great place to have a party! They

The Steiner Ranch pools are a great place to have a party! They are fun, clean and safe for you and your guest. The main goal for the HOA and Lifeline Aquatics is to keep it that way.

If you are renting a facility (Pavilion, Community Room, etc.) and plan on using the pool with more than 25 guests, you will be required to hire additional lifeguards, at your expense, to help protect all of the patrons at the pools.

To hire lifeguards, please contact the Lifeguard Company directly at 1-877-354-1313 or admin@lifelineaquatics.com.



STEINER RANCE CYCLING NEWS

By Thomas Lea

The Steiner Ranch Cycling (SRC) is a group of fun loving cyclist that enjoy the outdoors, burning calories, and meeting new people. Cycling is easy on your body, good for your health and a great way to build community. There is no cost to ride, and we welcome new riders. You probably see us riding around the neighborhood in our Steiner Ranchthemed red white and blue kits.

THOSE DARN CYCLISTS!

We get it - sometimes when you're driving, we're in your way. All of us in SRC are also drivers, so we understand what it's like to both ride near cars, and drive near cyclists. And it's harder to know what to expect from someone on a bike, because at different times we're going as slowly as a runner, or as fast as a car. So we thought a few basic "rules of the road" might help us safely work together:

As a cyclist:

Get out of the way. We almost always stay by the side of the road. And as a group, as soon as we know you're there we'll move so you can pass - just give us a minute so we can do it safely.

Act like a car. We try not to do anything unexpected, and signal so you aren't surprised when we turn or move into a lane.

Work with traffic. At a traffic light, we'll usually let the cars go first so you don't have to wait. And on narrow roads, we'll change to single-file so there's more room.

As a driver:

Give cyclists room. Sometimes a car or truck will pass less than two feet away, and if something unexpected happens there's no room to react. If the cyclist is hit, there's a good chance they'll be seriously injured...or worse.

Expect the unexpected. Even with an experienced rider, a bike is mildly unstable - a gust of wind, or a rock, or a pothole can cause a swerve. We don't like it either, but with enough room it won't be a problem.

Notice if we're going fast. Sometimes we're going faster than you think, especially on downhills. So with an approaching turn - or roundabout! - you may not have enough time to safely pass before the turn, or pull out. Thanks!

SATURDAY RIDES

On Saturdays we host an open group ride, starting at Cups & Cones at 7:30 AM. Our Saturday rides have changed up a little and now include an advanced and intermediate group. The advanced group will have average speeds from 18 – 20 mph and the intermediate group will average



between 15 - 17 mph. While each group will be travelling at different speeds, each group will be tackling the same course with a typical distance ranging from 45 up to 60+ miles. The turnout is typically between 10-20 riders depending on weather. Come on out and have some fun, everyone is welcome. The advanced and intermediate groups require a higher level of fitness and experience and there is NO designated sweeper.

SUNDAY COFFEE SHOP RIDE

On Sundays we host a mellow no-drop ride to a local coffee shop outside Steiner, great for new riders and/or recovery rides. The group will leave Cups & Cones at 7:30 AM, and will target some not-too-far coffee shop for some espresso, pastries, and socialization. The ride will average around 14-15 mph and should be perfect for those looking to recover from the week's riding, or to extend their range out of Steiner. Each week we will pick a different destination, but they will typically be around 15 miles from Cups & Cones. This is a no-drop ride, but you should be able to ride the 30-40 miles at a 14-15 mph pace. Please visit our website at www.steinerranchcycling.com to check out what is going on in the Steiner Ranch cycling community.

WEDNESDAY MIDWEEK RIDE

Every Wednesday evening at 6:30 PM we will depart from Cups & Cones for a 20-25 mile Tour of Steiner. It will be a no drop ride, but you should be able to maintain 14-17 mph. We may entertain short out-of-Steiner excursions, such as River Place/Ski Shores, depending on group consensus. This is a self-led ride with no designated ride leader. Just show up and ride with nice people!

MONTHLY SRC OASIS RIDE

Join us for the third Saturday of each Month when Steiner Ranch Cycling will host a ride starting from Cups & Cones at 7:30 AM, covering 50-70 miles and ending at the Oasis Brewing Company. Bring your bikes up on the deck and enjoy views of Lake Travis with discounted beer and food options from various local food vendors.

OTHER UPCOMING RIDES

The Tour de Cure is September 12-13. This is a club favorite and supports the fight against diabetes. This year there is an epic 2 day option! Those not wanting to ride for 2 days can opt for shorter single day rides. Please see the events calendar on the Steiner Ranch Cycling website for a link containing more details and how to sign up on the SRC team.

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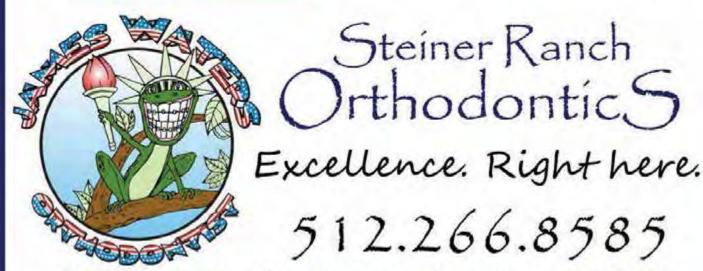




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Semi-annual assessments for July - December 2015 are due on July 1, 2015. Statements were mailed to all homeowners at the mailing address on file in mid-June. If you do not receive a statement, please contact the Community Associations Office at 512-266-7553. You are not exempt from paying assessments or late fees even if you do not receive a statement. Payments received after July 31, 2015 for any reason are subject to an initial \$25.00 late fee per association and a \$25.00 late fee for each additional month that the assessment remains unpaid. Please note that the assessment must be received by July 31st, not simply postmarked by July 31st. Your escrow account does not pay your assessments.

Online Assessment payments can be made at www.steinerranchhoa. org, by clicking on the "Online Assessment Payments" link. You can also sign up to receive your statements online.

You can still mail in your payments at the address listed on your statement, or bring them to the Association office at 12550 Country Trails Lane to avoid an On-line fee.

Please note, you may lose resident privileges such as pool access, facility rental, and attendance at, or registration for, social functions and programs, if you have delinquent assessment.

**If paying by AUTO Pay, please be sure to make the appropriate changes to the Assessment amount prior to mailing.



HAIL STORM

Submitted by Bonnie Johnson, Steiner Ranch Resident

Steiner Ranch was hit pretty hard with the hail storm on April 18th and there were many homes that sustained roof damage that is often difficult to detect from simply looking from the ground up. If you are not sure if your roof had damage from the storm, it is advisable to have it checked by a roofing professiona, I who will inspect your roof for free and then in turn, if needed, you can file a claim under your homeowners insurance. If you do have roof damage and are replacing it or your fence you will need to contact the HOA. If you use the same shingles as the original send an email with the details to Mack Taylor at mack@steinerranchhoa.org. If you are planning on using a different color shingle, then you will need to submit a shingle picture with the required Modification Application document. The form can be found after you login to our site http://www.steinerranchhoa.org/ in the Documents section under Homeowner Resources. Also as a gentle reminder, roofing contractors are not allowed to put signs in yards.

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From the Association Office

FIREWORKS/FIRECRACKERS ★ PROHIBITED ★

The Steiner Ranch Master Association (SRMA) and the Steiner Ranch Residential Owners Association (SRROA) have heard from an increasing number of homeowners concerning fireworks and firecrackers in Steiner Ranch.

All homeowners are reminded that Section 2.14 of the Steiner Ranch Master Association Development Area Declaration and Section 3.13 of the Steiner Ranch Residential Owners Association Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions (CC&R's) titled Hazardous Activities SPECIFICALLY forbid fireworks within Steiner Ranch, unless prior written board approval has been granted for professional pyrotechnic shows meeting all mandated safety requirements.

There are a number of reasons for this prohibition.

- The usage of increasingly powerful fireworks places homes at serious risk of fire.
- The topography and green space of Steiner Ranch is conducive to major fires.
- Federal rules regarding management of the BCCP (which borders Steiner Ranch) impose significant restrictions on activities that may affect the wildlife therein. Serious penalties for their violation can be imposed by federal officials.
- Homeowners are entitled to the peaceable enjoyment of their property.

Fireworks and firecrackers are and will remain prohibited in Steiner Ranch for the reasons above. Your Board has authorized a warning for the first violation and a \$250 fine for the second violation of Section 2.14 and/or Section 3.13. Violations, once finalized after appeal, are permanent; repeat violations are subject to a \$500 fine. Professional patrols are in place to assist with the implementation of this policy.

Your Board reminds all homeowners that each of us has the ability and the responsibility to enforce the CC&Rs of Steiner Ranch whenever we feel that a violation is occurring. In the matter of fireworks and firecrackers, please contact the Association Office, at (512) 266-7553 as soon as possible during or immediately following an occurrence. Physical and/or photographic evidence is very helpful in substantiating a violation.

Should you have any questions or comments on this policy, please contact the Compliance Coordinator at the Association Office at (512) 266-7553.



NEW RESIDENT INFORMATION

Welcome to Steiner Ranch and congratulations on the purchase of your new home! As a member of the Steiner Ranch Home Owners Association, you will enjoy access to the three community centers which include two junior Olympic-sized pools, a resort pool, splash pool, splash pad and two baby pools. Also located at the community centers are eight lighted tennis courts and four basketball courts. In addition, you have exclusive access to the Lake Club conveniently located on Lake Austin, seven parks and four multi-purpose sports fields. Along with over 20 miles of serene hiking trails, Steiner Ranch is lined with extensive and manicured landscaping throughout the community.

In order to help us maintain these benefits, you are charged semi-annual assessments that are due on January 1st, and July 1st of every year. If you have questions concerning your assessments you may contact the HOA Office and speak to the Accounting Coordinator at 266-7553 ext 23.

Another unique asset of Steiner Ranch is our on-site Community Associations Office with a full management team! For questions regarding the community, please stop by our office at 12550 Country Trails Lane. Our office hours are 1:00pm – 5:00pm, Monday through Thursday, 10:00am – 5:00pm on Friday, and 9am to 3pm on Saturday (SUMMER ONLY). You may also reach us by phone at 512-266-7553 during business hours.

Here is a quick check list for you to get acquainted with your new neighborhood:

Stop by the HOA office and pick up a new resident packet that includes your facility key fob, gate tags (if you live in a gated community), and complete a lake club agreement. Be sure to bring your settlement statement.

Get your login & password for the "member" section of the HOA website. Go to www.steinerranchhoa.org and "request a login". Once there, go to the "My Profile" section and be sure to sign up for subscriptions so that you can get informed about activities, safety and community relations.

"Like" the Steiner Ranch Social Committee Facebook Page.

"Follow" @SteinerRanchHOA on twitter.

COMMUNICATION:

The HOA will communicate with residents via:

Website - www.steinerranchhoa.org

Monthly newsletter The Ranch Record

Email alerts (be sure the HOA has your correct email). Activity alerts are weekly, sent every Monday. Community Relations alerts are monthly and as needed. Safety alerts are sent out as needed.

Monthly Board of Directors meetings - Residents are welcome to attend and observe and/or sign up to address the Board. See the website for dates, times and agenda.

Committee Meetings – We have many committees that you can become involved in and are welcome to attend. From getting involved with the Social events through the Social Committee, to helping with the recommendations of the Facilities Committee, there is a committee for all interest.

New Resident Welcome & Wine Social — This is an opportunity to get to meet members of the HOA management team and many of your neighbors. Because summer can be a busy travel time, we will resume this event in the Fall. If you have any questions about how you can become involved in the community or just want more information, please contact the HOA office at 512-266-7553.



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- Lance Loveless, DDS, FAGD, LVIF

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From the Association Office

BOATS AND WATERCRAFT PARKING

Where can I park them?

As summer approaches, boats and other watercraft are frequently seen in Steiner Ranch. Please remember that boats and watercraft must be stored in an enclosed space at all times. Do not store them in your driveway or park them on the street. They are an extreme safety hazard in the street. Repeat violators are subject to fines and/or towing.

If you see a boat, trailer or other recreational vehicle, feel free to report it to the Association at www.steinerranchhoa. org through the "Report a Problem" link. Please include a description of the violation and the address where the violation has occurred.

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SIGN UP FOR EMAIL ALERTS!

Ever wonder why your neighbor always seems to know what activities are going on in Steiner? Or why they are up to date on any safety concerns? Because they have registered to receive email alerts from the HOA. It's easy to register! Just go the HOA website at www.steinerranchhoa.org and click on login. If you've never requested a login before, then now is the time to do it. Once logged in, then follow these steps:

- Click on the menu item "My Profile".
- Then click on "Subscriptions".
- Check off all the email alerts you'd like to receive. You must be specific here. If you want to receive "activity" alerts, then check that box. If you leave it as "all", then you'll only receive emails that are specifically sent to every email on file.

It's that simple! While you are in "my profile", go to "user profile" and update your information. Especially your neighborhood! This is a great tool for the HOA to be able to send email directly to your neighborhood. Maybe there is a county street closure, or we need to send a reminder to your street or neighborhood.

The website is a great tool for homeowners, so get to know it! You can do a variety of functions, including looking up facility reservations, reporting a problem, obtaining homeowner Documents, rules and regulations and the latest budgets!

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To reserve space:

- Go to www.steinerranchhoa.org
- Login (if you've never logged in, then you'll be asked to request a login)
- From the menu bar, click on "Amenities"
- From the "Amenities" page, click on the facility you want to reserve
- Go to the bottom of the page and view the calendar. (Be sure to click on the day to get the full menu of current reservations)

 Once you've found an available date that works for you, there are two options:
- Call the HOA at 512-266-7553
- Request a reservation online Go to "Homeowner Resources", "Eforms", "Request a Reservation"

Some basic rules:

- Once a reservation is made with the HOA staff, you'll have 48 hours to turn in forms and payment. If not received, your reservation will be removed without notice.
- If you need to cancel for any reason, full refunds will be given if a 72 hour notice is received by email or phone call.
- No outdoor reservations are accepted during Holidays and some Holiday weekends.
- Lake Club reservations are not exclusive use. You reserve 4 or the 6 picnic tables under the pavilion.
- Pool reservations are not allowed, except by Management for events such as swim programs
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VHS BAND & VISION DANCE COMPANY MARCH A THON

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Viper Swim Camp

(Boys & Girls)

Register at www.leanderisd.org Contact – Kimberly Davies Kimberly.davies@leanderisd.org

The Vandegrift Swim Team has numerous traditions and success, so come get to know the Vandegrift Swim coaches while gaining more swimming experience. All swimmers must already know all 4 strokes to attend. This camp will take swimmers through all strokes and finesse their technique. At the same time, the swimmer will get to experience why swimming for Vandegrift is fun, motivating and filled with pride. Spots are limited, so act fast to be a part of a great VIPER experience!

Where - Bella Mar in Steiner Ranch
Requirements - Bring water, a towel, swimsuit, goggles
and a cap. Swim equipment will be provided
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July 20th – 23rd from 8am – 10am Grades: 6th – 9th Grade





Vandegrift Senior Wins Lake Travis Community Library Scholarship

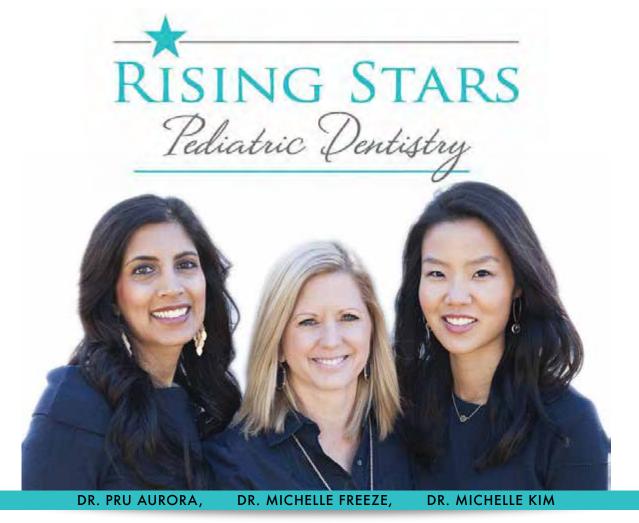
A Vandegrift senior has become the first Viper to win a scholarship from the Friends of the Lake Travis Community Library.

Keith Tran, who lives with his parents and sister in Steiner Ranch, is one of four library teen volunteers who will be sharing \$8,000 in scholarships awarded by the Friends this year. The other three are from Lake Travis High School. The four seniors have volunteered a total of more than 1,000 hours at the library in Lakeway, the closest public library to Steiner Ranch. Tran is the first Vandegrift student ever to win one of the Friends service awards.

Tran will be attending Texas Tech in the fall, then hopes to attend Tech's Health Science Center School of Medicine and become a pediatric surgeon. He'll receive his scholarship award at the Vandegrift Senior Awards Ceremony on May 27th.

Anna Dolliver, Brody Volpe and Sydney Yorke all graduate from LTHS this June. Dolliver and Yorke are headed to the University of Texas at Austin. Dolliver wants to become a lawyer; Yorke, a computer programmer. Volpe is headed for Baylor where he'll study theater arts. He is hoping for a career on Broadway. Dolliver and Volpe live in Lakeway; Yorke lives in Bee Cave.

"We had such an impressive group of applicants this year, making our final decision was difficult," Jean Hennagin, chair of the Friends scholarship committee, noted. "We found the final four exemplary at all levels, including their service to the community."



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MEDITATION - Begins Sunday, June 21st. 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. RSVP: Paramita2500@gmail.com

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AMERICAN RED CROSS BABYSITTER TRAINING COURSE

2015 SCHEDULE

August 1

9:00am - 4:00pm | \$50 per person

Towne Square Community Center, 12550 Country Trails Lane
This is a very popular class, so sign up early! If you're 11 to 15 years
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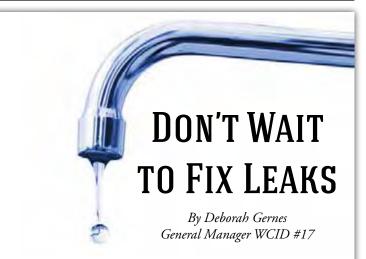
- Respond to emergencies and illnesses with first aid, rescue breathing and other appropriate care
- Make decisions under pressure
- Communicate with parents to learn household rules
- Recognize safety and hygiene issues
- Manage young children
- Feed, diaper and care for infants

Bring a sack lunch! Space is limited. Prior registration is required and the 2015 Program Registration form is available at www.steinerranchhoa.org.

Water Restrictions and Conservation

Although we've received much needed rain, no change in our mandatory outdoor watering schedule has been made at time of press. Residents are to continue following the Stage 3 water plan until further notice. Visit www.wcid17.org for updates. Stage 3 watering restrictions are as follows:

- Water between 12:01 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on your one designated day. Addresses ending:
 - -- Monday 1, 3
 - -- Tuesday 2, 4
 - -- Wednesday 5, 7
 - -- Thursday 6, 8
 - -- Friday 9, 0
 - -- Saturday All Commercial & HOA
 - -- Sunday The only day for hose end sprinkler watering
 - **Note The Steiner Ranch Common Areas use Re-claimed water and do not fall under the restrictions.
- Watering with a hand held hose, soaker hose, bubbler, drip irrigation or watering can of 5-gallons and less is allowed any day, except between the hours of 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- Climate driven irrigation controllers must be turned off.
- Cars and boats may each be washed once per week any day any time with shutoff nozzle required.
- Pools may be refilled any time.
- Commercial ornamental fountains must stop.
- Residential ornamental fountains and water features are asked to stop voluntarily.



Lake Travis has returned to normal levels and we're all breathing a sigh of relief, but after the dry five-year period we've just been through, it should be very clear that we need to protect our water supply, continue conserving and prevent waste.

Millions of gallons of water are lost each day to leaks. A few drips coming out of the kitchen faucet or showerhead might not seem like a lot to you, but even the smallest leak means gallons of water lost. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), an average American household wastes around 10,000 gallons of water each year through leaky pipes, toilets and faucets.

These easy-to-fix leaks can annually add up to a District-wide loss of more than 100 million gallons. To give you an idea, that's about the amount of water needed to supply over 640 homes for one full year. All customers should check their toilets, faucets, showers, pipes and sprinkler systems for leaks. Fixing these small issues can mean a reduction of up to 10% on water bills.

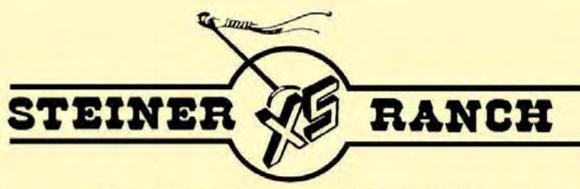
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Leaking or malfunctioning showerheads, faucets, fixtures or sprinklers are easy to spot. Leaks in pipes, however, can go unnoticed for quite a while. A simple leakage test can help you out. Check the reading on your meter before you leave the house and recheck it after two hours. If the number has changed, you probably have a leak or forgot to turn off water-consuming appliances, such as a washing machine or dishwasher, before you left.

Toilets are one of the biggest water-leaking sources in your home. A running toilet can waste thousands gallons of water a month. A broken valve will likely be the cause and is very easy to fix. You can't always hear a leaking toilet. Food coloring can help you find out. Add a few drops to the water tank of your toiles and wait for about 10 minutes. If the bowl stays color free, you don't have a leak.

Make sure to check your water bill regularly; beware of how much you routinely use. If nothing changed in your water-using habits but the bill went up significantly, you likely have a leak. If you can't figure out where the leak is, District 17 may be able to help by pulling a graph of your usage by day or by hour for the last several months. Reviewing your water usage patterns can often reveal the type of problem.

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CICADAS





Cicadas are fairly large insects but can vary in size with some growing over 1 ½ inches. Color may also vary depending upon species, but many are brown or green. All cicadas have bulging eyes and, on adults, wings that are held roof-like over the body. The wings are semi-transparent with thick wing veins. The majority of their life cycle is spent underground.

Cicadas have 2-5 year life cycles and appear in Texas in mid to late summer. Females insert egg clusters into branches of trees using their saw-like ovipositor

(egg laying structure). Eggs hatch after about 6 weeks and small nymphs drop to the ground where they burrow into the soil. Nymphs feed on sap of tree roots with their piercing-sucking mouthparts. After becoming fully developed, nymphs emerge from the ground at night and climb onto nearby objects such as tree trunk, plants, fences, etc. Adult cicadas emerge from the last nymphal stage leaving behind the exuviae (cast skin). Adults can live 5-6 weeks.

Male cicadas are well known for their "song". They rest on a tree and produce a whining sound to attract females. The sound is produced by two vibrating membranes on the side of the abdomen. Females do not "sing". Adults feed on juices from tender twigs, but usually do not cause lasting harm to the plant from feeding.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com

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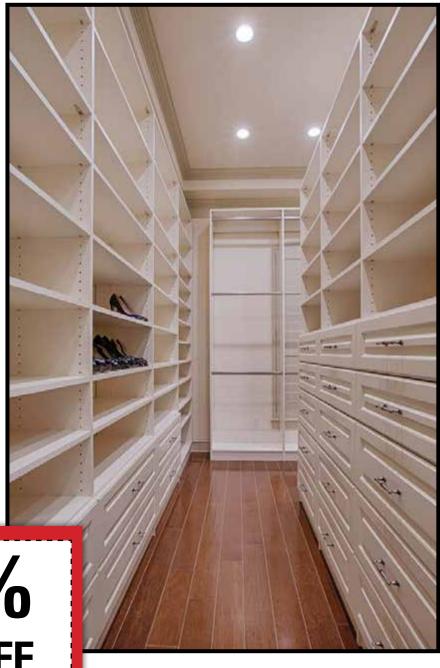
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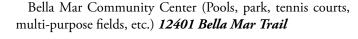
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Towne Square Community Center (Pools, park, tennis courts, soccer fields, etc.) *12550 Country Trails Lane*

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The Lake Club 12300 River Bend Road

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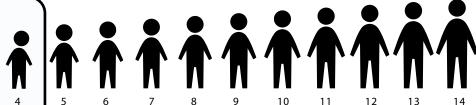


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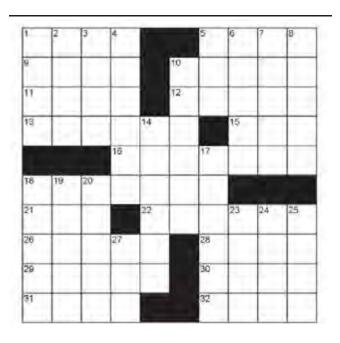
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ACROSS

- 1. Father
- 5. Water carrier
- 9. Radar target
- 10. English architecture style
- 11. Corporation (abbr.)
- 12. White poplar
- 13. Hastily write
- 15. Official canine registry (abbr.)
- 16. Peers (2 wds.)
- 18. Mother-of-Pearl mollusk
- 21. Wipe
- 22. Asian nation
- 26. Unripened
- 28. One of Columbus' ships

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- 29. Great ape
- 30. Swirl
- 31. Very large book
- 32. Fewer

DOWN

- 1. The alphabet
- 2. Group of nations
- 3. Vigor
- 4. Sicken
- 5. English bar
- 6. Thoughts
- 7. Folk dance
- 8. Build
- 10. Claws
- 14. Dating
- 17. Marrow
- 18. Jargon
- 19. Donkey
- 20. Right angle to a ships length
- 23. Military officer
- 24. Ceases
- 25. "You can't eat just one" brand
- 27. Vane direction

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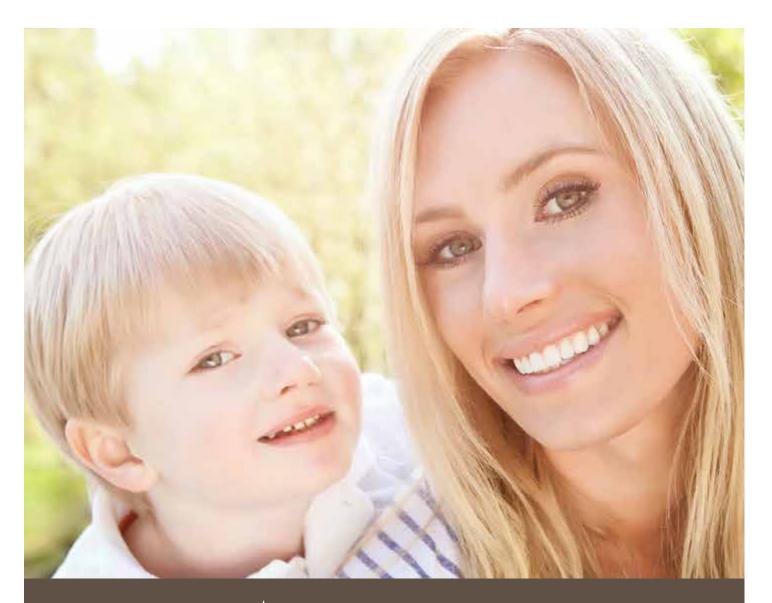
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