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The Ranch Record is mailed monthly to all Steiner Ranch residents. Residents, community groups, churches, etc. are welcome to submit information about their organizations in the newsletter. Personal news for the Stork Report, Teenage Job Seekers, recipes, special celebrations, and birthday announcements are also welcome. To submit an article for consideration please email it to *communications@steinerranchhoa.org*. The deadline is the 8th of the month prior to the issue.

COVER PHOTO

Many grandparents move to Steiner Ranch to be close to their children and grandchildren. Toni Sepulveda and her granddaughter both live in the neighborhood, and are pictured on our cover attending a boot camp class at Towne Square. Way to go! We wish you a happy Mother's Day Toni.

Have a photo you would like to see published? We are always looking for pictures that capture Steiner Ranch and the folks who live here. So grab your camera, get creative, and send your pictures our way! Who know, your picture may be featured on next month's cover.

For cover photo consideration, the submittal deadline is on the 8th of the month prior to publication. Photos should be submitted electronically by the deadline date to communications@steinerranchhoa.org.

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



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2016 STEINER RANCH EVENTS

Mark Your Calendars Now For These Upcoming Steiner Ranch Social Events!

MAY 5/21 Shred Day 5/28 Movies in the Park

JULY

7/3 Decorate Your Ride7/4 July 4th Celebration

AUGUST 8/13 Concert In The Park 8/20 Movie in the Park

SEPTEMBER

9/17 Father Daughter Dance9/17 Fall Community Garage Sale

OCTOBER

10/6 New Homeowners Social
10/7 Fall Scrap-A-Thon
10/23 Pumpkin Patch
10/30 Trunk or Treat

NOVEMBER

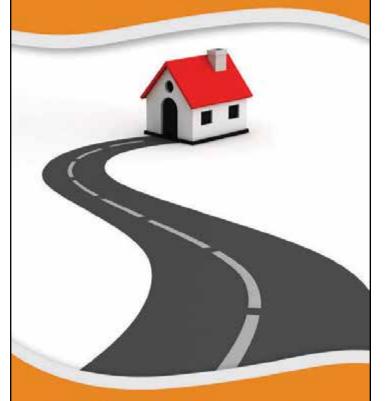
11/5 Camping On The Ranch11/12 Holiday Sale Shopping Event

DECEMBER

12/8 Volunteer Appreciation Party12/10 Breakfast With Santa

Want to get involved? Join the Event Planning Committee! The Committee meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 9:00am at Cups & Cones. Contact Desirre Ghebremicael, Lifestyle Coordinator at desirre@steinerranchhoa.org for more information.

All Events are tentative and subject to change or cancel. For the most up to date information, follow us at: Facebook.com/SteinerRanchHOAevents or visit the Steiner Ranch HOA website at www.steinerranchhoa.org Paving the way to successful real estate transactions in Steiner Ranch



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From the Association Office

RANCH REPORT

Recently there has been a lot of conversation on social media about rules which limit Steiner Ranch amenity use by nonresidents. Because not everything posted online is accurate, I feel I should take this opportunity to provide the facts around this issue.

There are a large number of entities involved when it comes to the use of Steiner Ranch amenities. For-profit businesses are in the business of signing kids up for various sporting camps, leagues, activities, and programs; these groups require use of our amenities in order to operate in the neighborhood. Volunteer groups, which in many cases are comprised of parents wanting to share in a sporting activity with their child, require amenity space. Not-for-profit groups, interested in teaching adults and/ or children various skills/sports, require amenity space, too. All of these groups vie for space and time, as it pertains to Steiner Ranch amenities.

To give residents a clear understanding of how much our facilities are used: spring sporting sessions in Steiner Ranch are made up of 114 soccer teams, 40 flag football teams, and 8 independent leagues. There are approximately 50 children in rugby, and 3 baseball teams. Add to the mix lacrosse, Soccer-Shots, Sportball and various other programs, such as dance, gymnastics, tennis, etc. In addition, consider the activity at the Bella Mar lap pool, used by the following organizations: Lost Creek Aquatics, (approx. 140 swimmers,) Vandergrift High School Swim Team (46 swimmers), and the Master's Swimmers. The Steiner Stars Red and Blue Swim Teams begin their season this month (490 swimmers) and will use the pool from 7:30 am to 7:30 pm, Monday through Thursday, for a good part of the summer.

Most residents feel these activities should be available to them and believe their assessments go toward maintaining Steiner Ranch amenities, athletic fields and pools. Assessments are used in part to pay for community pools, parks, and athletic field maintenance. However, amenity use by organized sports and programs, has exceeded normal wear and tear of community amenities and has required additional maintenance, equipment and money from assessments to keep facilities in conditions residents expect.

Last year, for example, due to high pool use, larger filters were installed at the Bella Mar lap pool. The cost was over \$14k. Additionally, the HOA increased pool cleaning frequency, having a pool maintenance company clean at 12:00 am each morning to ensure adequate cleaning time before swim activities began. Doing so cost the Association an additional \$9,600. Because Steiner Ranch has grown exponentially and pool use is essentially nonstop when pools are open, additional cleaning was necessary.

This spring, the HOA recognized that turf at Towne Square, Westridge, and Bella Mar athletic fields was severely worn; kids were essentially playing on dirt. In March the Association laid over 26,000 square feet of sod at the fields at a cost of over \$25,000.00. Unfortunately an organized athletic group used the newly sodded fields, even though the HOA closed them due to heavy rains, which resulted in a portion of the sod being damaged. We are anticipating the cost to repair the damage to be between \$5k and \$6k.

The point is that Steiner Ranch amenities are for the use of Steiner Ranch residents, their families, and their guests, and the Association is responsible for managing those amenities. The cost to maintain amenities is solely paid for by Steiner Ranch residents. Over the past year the HOA has started to phase in enforcement of the Steiner Ranch Community Manual which is part of the Steiner Ranch Declatory Documents . These documents were adopted and recorded in January of 2012 and clearly state that the common areas are owned by the Steiner Ranch Master Association and the Steiner Ranch Residential Owners Association for the private use of the members of those associations and their guests. In the past these rules were not followed and many of the organized groups, which use Steiner Ranch fields and pools, encouraged parents living outside of Steiner Ranch to register their children in their activities, at little or no additional cost.

This practice is not fair to the residents of Steiner Ranch who pay for the maintenance and upkeep of community amenities. While I applaud parent volunteers who work tirelessly in the many organized sports activities and programs held in Steiner Ranch, I want to assure homeowners the Association will maintain our facilities, and enforce Steiner Ranch Declatory Documents, which protect the interests of Steiner Ranch homeowners.

Randy Schmaltz Executive Director Steiner Ranch Homeowners' Association

Thank You Steiner Ranch HOA Board Members!

The Steiner Ranch Home Owners' Association would like to thank all board members who served and continue to serve on the Steiner Ranch Master Association and Steiner Ranch Residential Association Board of Directors. Thank you for volunteering your time and expertise to ensure Steiner Ranch continues to be the great community it is!

Association Board Elections

Elections for the Steiner Ranch Master Association (SRMA) and the Steiner Ranch Residential Association (SRROA) were held at the end of April. Unfortunately materials for May's Ranch Record were due prior to Board Elections. Please visit the HOA website for election results. Results will also be included in the June issue of the Ranch Record.



Pictured are SRROA Board members, prior to the April 2016 Board election. From left: Karl McArthur, Martha Moring, Derrick Jones, Rob Carruthers, David Marks

Pictured are members of the SRMA Board of Directors, whose terms ended in April 2016. From left: Tim Towell, Doug Messer, Bill Menzies, Tara Holleran, Michael Slack

From the Association Office

From The Steiner Ranch Master Association (SRMA)

This is likely my last article in the Ranch Record as President of the SRMA Board of Directors. I want you to know that it has been an absolute privilege to represent you in determining the course of development of Steiner Ranch in so, so many areas. The Community has such a good staff in the HOA and so many outstanding volunteers. I salute and thank all of you. Steiner Ranch is a very remarkable community. By the time this Ranch Record is published, the new Board of Directors will have been elected and installed as new Directors. I was very pleased that so many of you stepped up and ran for a position on the Board of Directors. Those of you that have won election will thoroughly enjoy being able to contribute to the community.

To all, thank you for making Steiner Ranch such an outstanding community. Be sure to run for a Board position and volunteer for a committee when you can and have the experience. I have always been impressed with the ideas and recommendations that come to the Board from our Committees. Step up and volunteer. We need you. Steiner Ranch will continue to improve when you do.

Bill Menzies

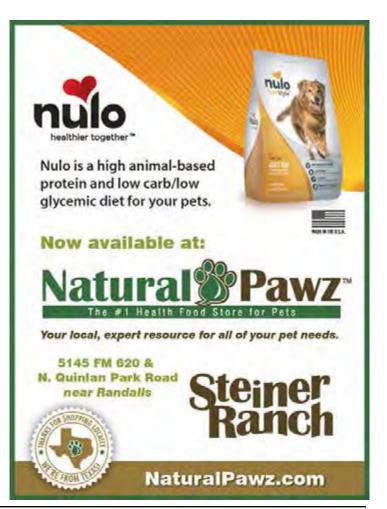
SRMA Board Member since 2014 SRMA Board President April 2015 – April 21, 2016



Community Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for a way to volunteer in the community? The HOA offers several committees, all of which need and welcome new members. Contact us for more information:

- Steiner Ranch Master Association Architectural Committee: Contact mack@steinerranchhoa.org
- Steiner Ranch Residential Owners Architectural Committee: Contact mack@steinerranchhoa.org
- Event Planning Committee: Contact desirre@steinerranchhoa.org
- Facilities Committee: Contact luke@steinerranchhoa.org
- (Facilities committee includes Swim Team, Fields, Firewise, Pools & Trails)
- Finance Committee: Contact randy@steinerranchhoa.org
- Landscape Committee: Contact luke@steinerranchhoa.org or randy@steinerranchhoa.org
- Long Term Planning Committee: Contact randy@steinerranchhoa.org



Attention Pet Owners

Please remember to be considerate of your neighbors; scoop your pet's poop and address excessive barking! While your dog's barking may not bother you, it more than likely bothers your neighbors. It is important to remember that all dogs must be on leash when not on owner property. Furry friends can be a joy, but they are your responsibility.



Boats & Watercraft Storage

As summer approaches, please remember all boats and watercraft must be stored in an enclosed space at all times. Storing watercraft in your driveway or on the street is not allowed per Steiner Ranch documents. Repeat violators are subject to fines and/or towing.

Violations may be reported 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.





From the Association Office



Hosted by the Steiner Ranch Homeowners' Association for the 22nd year, this year's Steiner Ranch Easter Egg Hunt was chock-full of Easter treats and fun. Steiner Ranch families gathered at John Simpson park on Saturday, March 26th so that their little ones could hunt for Easter Eggs, visit the petting zoo, take a pony ride,

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partake in face painting, sip hot chocolate from Cups & Cones, and enjoy the morning with friends and neighbors. Many thanks to all who volunteered to make this event a success, including Canyon Ridge Middle School NJHS students, and the folks from Kidventure. Thank you to The Goddard School, Steiner Ranch and Dr. Cox at Greater Austin Allergy River Place for sponsoring this fun community event. Thanks goes out to Steiner Cleaners for sponsoring our Golden Egg Easter Baskets, which were given to several lucky winners, and compiled by the Event Planning Committee.

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Steiner Activities & Events

Camping On The Ranch

Camping On The Ranch has been cancelled several times over the past couple of years due to weather. Not this time! Many Steiner Ranch residents kicked off Spring Break on March 12th, camping right here on the ranch. Cups and Cones grilled up and sold hotdogs and burgers for dinner, and came back to serve breakfast tacos in the morning. The HOA provided free doughnuts and coffee. The weather was fine!











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The Steiner Ranch HOA has partnered with the Goddard School Steiner Ranch to offer CPR classes through CPR Resources (http://www.cpr-resources.com/).

When: Tuesday, May 24th & Thursday, June 23rd Where: Goddard School Steiner Ranch, 5145 North FM 620, Building H

Cost: \$25 per person

Registration & class information: http://www.cpr-resources.com/

Combined CPR & First Aid class covers all requirements for Childcare Provider Certification, and is approved by the State of Texas Childcare Licensing, Foster and Adoption services as well as Child Protective Services. This class is appropriate for daycare staff, nannies, foster parents, babysitters, moms and dads. Upon class completion, students will receive CPR certification and First Aid cards which are valid for 2 years.

Get Ready To Shred!

The annual Steiner Ranch Shred Day event is scheduled for Saturday, May 21st and will take place in the Towne Square Community Center parking lot from 10am – 12pm. The Steiner Ranch HOA offers this free opportunity to safely dispose of old personal documents to Steiner Ranch residents.





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- SuperShuttle Non-stop Van 1-3 people \$80
- SuperShuttle Non-stop Van 4-10 people \$100
- ExecuCar 1-3 people \$80
- ExecuCar 4-6 people \$90



Steiner Activities & Events

2016 SUMMER GUIDE

Get ready for some summer fun, here on The Ranch! Visit the HOA Events Facebook page, website or stop by the HOA office for our 2016 Summer Guide. Camps and programs offered include:

KIDS PROGRAMS & CAMPS

Lonestar Soccer Soccer Shots Sportball Neighborhood Sports Steiner Tennis Kidventure Mad Science Lake Bridge Sports Gymnastics Developmental Swimming & Lessons

ADULT PROGRAMS

Water Aerobics Camp Gladiator Free Yoga Free Vinyasa Yoga Free Tai Chi Free Aikido Free Run Lab



MAY & JUNE FREE WORKSHOPS

The following free workshops are being offered to Steiner Ranch residents:

May 3rd at 7:00pm, Towne Square: Property Taxes 101

Join Craig Smyser, Broker Associate at RE/MAX Capital City as he discusses the basics of property taxes in Texas.

May 17th at 7:00pm, Towne Square:

Why the Difficulty In Controlling Our Weight? Join Steiner Ranch resident, Dr. Benjamin Rosin, as he discusses and answers questions about the challenges of maintaining and controlling weight.

May 18th at 7:00pm, Towne Square Community Center: How To Reach Your True Health Potential

Join Dr. Fox as he discusses and answers questions about reaching your true health potential.

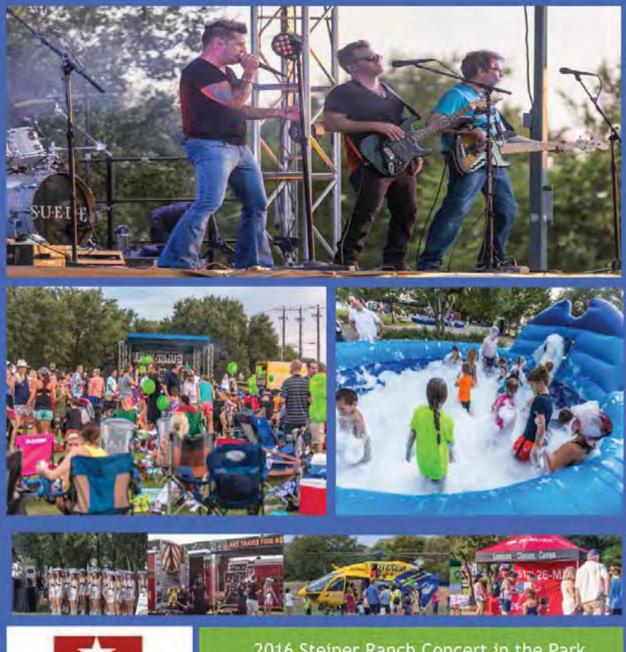
June 23rd at 7:00pm, Towne Square: Diabetes: What You Need To Know

Join Steiner Ranch resident, Dr. Benjamin Rosin, as he discusses and answers questions about Diabetes.

FREE ACTIVITIES FOR RESIDENTS

The following activities are offered to Steiner Ranch residents at no charge:

	Meets at Bella Mar Community Center Tuesday evenings at 8:30pm				
Cycling Group Meets at Cups & Cones Saturday & Sunday Mornings at 7:30am					
Run Lab Coach-led run meets at John Sim Friday mornings	1				
Tai ChiMeets at Towne Square Commun Monday through Friday	•				
Yoga Provided by Lake Austin Spa instructor. Meets at Towne Square Mondays at 6:30pm					
Vinyasa Yoga Tuesdays, through June 7 at Bella Mar Community Center from 9:30am – 10:30am					
Writers Group Meets at Cups & Cones Ma May 16th from 1:00pm	•				





2016 Steiner Ranch Concert in the Park August 13th @ Towne Square, 7pm-10pm

To sponsor this *huge* community event visit: <u>www.SteinerRanchConcerts.com</u> Various sponsorship levels available

Flagship Sponsor: The Steiner Ranch HOA

Promote your business and support the community! All proceeds benefit LISD.

Questions, Contact Desirre Ghebremicael, Steiner Ranch Lifestyle Coordinator: desirre@steinerranchhoa.org

Steiner Ranch Cycling News

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 Ranch-themed red white and blue kits. Give us a wave but please don't honk!

SATURDAY RIDES

On Saturdays we host an open group ride, starting at Cups & Cones at 7:30 AM. Our Saturday rides include advanced and intermediate groups.

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. Ride details are posted each week to our website at http://www.steinerranchcycling.com, on our Facebook page http:// facebook.com/SteinerRanchCycling, and to our email list (sign up on our website).

The advanced and intermediate groups require a higher level of fitness and experience and there is no designated sweeper.

After the ride on Saturdays, join us for discounted burgers and beer at Lakeside Pizza & Grill!

SUNDAY COFFEE SHOP RIDE

On Sundays we host a mostly mellow ride to a local coffee shop outside Steiner.

The group will leave Cups & Cones at 7:30 AM, and will target some not-too-far coffee shop for some espresso, pastries, and socializing. The ride will average around 17 mph and should be perfect for those looking for an easier and more relaxed alternative to our Saturday rides. Our destination is typically Red Horn Coffee House and Brewing Company at 1431 and Parmer which is 18 miles from Cups & Cones. Although this is technically a 'drop ride', we will make great efforts to keep the group together. Note that you should be able to ride the 38-50 miles at a 16-17 mph average pace for the whole ride.

Please visit our website at http://www.steinerranchcycling.com to check out what is going on in the Steiner Ranch cycling community.

Upcoming Organized Rides in the Area

There are lots of great organized rides in the area that cater to cyclists of all abilities (beginner to expert). Even if you don't ride



with SRC, you should consider participating in some of these. Big group rides are fun!

- May 7 Shiner GASP (http://shiner.com/shinergasp)
- May 21 Real Ale Ride (http://realaleride.com) Don't miss this one! Awesome after party.
- July 24-30 RAGBRAI (http://ragbrai.com) A bucket list ride. SRC is doing it this year.
- Aug 27 Hotter'N Hell 100 (http://hh100.org) Maybe the easiest century ever. Some folks die.
- Sept 17/18 Tour de Cure (http://tour.diabetes.org) A great ride for a great cause. One of our favorites.
- Sep 17 Conquer the Coast (http://www.conquerthecoast.org) We live where there are hills. This ride has no hills. Pancake flat, man.
- Oct 16 Livestrong Challenge (http://www.livestrong.org) Love him or hate him (probably the latter), this is still a great ride for a great cause.
- Nov 5/6 Tour de Gruene (http://www.tourdegruene.com) Some of the best of the Texas Hill Country.

SPONSORS

SRC is currently updating our sponsors. If you or your business is interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact Thomas Lea (thomaslea@gmail.com).

RIDE DISCLAIMER: Each rider is responsible for his or her own safety on our rides. Please join us at your own risk. Our weekly rides are open to public participation but ride leaders do NOT assume any liability for your participation. We require that all participants follow traffic laws and wear a helmet while on our rides.



Steiner Activities & Events YOUNG OF HEART

Young at Heart gives Steiner Ranch residents- mostly in the 50+ age group- opportunities to meet other people with similar interests. Our organized activities are planned to give everyone a chance to get to know each other in casual social settings. Many friendships have been formed while playing cards and games, walking, hiking and participating in more than a dozen other interest groups. If you live in Steiner Ranch full time or part time, you are welcome to join us. To become a member, just send your contact information including name(s), address, phone number and e-mail address to youngatheartaustin@gmail.com.

Among our many activities are Book Club, Canasta, Euchre, Mah Jongg, Mexican Train (Dominoes), Bunco, Walking, Hiking, Biking, Spanish Conversation, Technology, Painting, Card Making (creating unique greeting cards), and Ladies CLEO Luncheons (Classy Ladies Eating Out). We also get together for happy hours, wine socials, International Dining, dinner groups, and our very popular ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out). New groups are added when there is interest.

BUNCO WITH THE LADIES FROM YOUNG AT HEART

Submitted by Linda Mikolajek, Chair Lidia Schmidt, Co-chair

Bunco, aka Bunko is a simple friendly social game of dice and luck. It can be learned in about five minutes...no special "training" required. There really is no skill involved so anyone who wants to have fun, socialize and have the chance to win prize money would be able to play.

The Steiner Ranch Young at Heart (YAH) Bunco group currently meets once a month on the 4th Wednesday of the month. We play for about 2+ hours. Two members act as hostess and co-hostess and provide light snacks and drinks. Groups of four women play at a table with two sets of partners. After a "round" the winners rotate to a new table and change partners. The losers change partners and stay at the same table and are joined by two new players. As you can see, you get to play and interact with a lot of ladies during the evening. You record your Win or Loss on your Bunco card, and at the end of the night, prizes money is given to nine of the players. The prize money is collected as a \$5 entry fee from each player at the beginning of the evening.

We have 20 regular players and a list of subs. The hostess has the option to host Bunco in the Steiner Ranch Community Center or in their home.

Bunco is just one of our many fun YAH Social Events offered to our YAH ladies.

Steiner Ranch Writers Group

Calling all writers! Poets, novelists, memoirists, songwriters, and anyone who has ever wanted to try- join us for an hour of work and friendly support from 1:00pm - 2:00pm at Cups & Cones on Monday, May 2nd and 16th. Bring something you are working on for the first half of the meeting -our writing time- and then the second half, we'll chat and get to know the other writers in our community. If you haven't started a project, bring your idea and your laptop/ notebook and get started in the silence of writers actually writing. This will not be a workshop, but it might be a great way to meet a new writing partner or the reader for your finished manuscript. Absolutely free. Bring your work and join us!



FREE TAI CHI WORKSHOP

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Around Steiner

The Ranch: Speckled In Bluebonnets

Spring sprung and speckled the Ranch with many bluebonnets. Here are some photographs of the colorful flowers, submitted by Steiner Ranch residents. Thank you for sharing!



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Steiner Ranch ORTHODONTICS

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Around Steiner



Hill Country Bible Church Steiner Ranch Supports Autism Awareness Month

The month of April was Autism Awareness month. On Sunday, April 10th, the Hill Country Bible Church-Steiner Ranch campus recognized and supported Autism Awareness. Autism facts, puzzle piece cookies (made by local "Back 40 Bakery") and information about the Special Needs Ministry at HCBC Steiner Ranch were handed out to congregants and visitors. HCBC-Steiner campus serves approximately 7 families with children who have Autism, and is happy to support those families as well as neighbors in Steiner Ranch.



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Swimming News

STEINER STARS SWIM SEASON KICKS OFF

The Steiner Stars Swim Team season is here! Each summer, approximately 500 swimmers, ages 5-17, swim for the Steiner Stars in the Northwest Swim Circuit Recreational Swim League. Please note: all practices and home meets for both teams are held at Bella Mar lap pool.

Details for the 2016 season are as follows:

Stars Practice Schedule During the School Year: May 2nd - June 2nd

Red: Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30 to 7:30pm Blue: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 to 7:30pm NO PRACTICE on Memorial Day (May 30th)

Stars Practice Schedule After the School Year: June 6th - July 8th

Blue: Monday through Thursday from 1:30 to 6:30pm Red: Tuesday through Friday from 7:30am to 12:30pm NO PRACTICE on Independence Day (July 4th)

STARS HOME MEET SCHEDULE

June 11th: Blue vs Brushy Creek June 25th: Red vs Cedar Park June 30th: Star Wars (Blue vs Red) This is a Thursday meet! July 9th: Blue Divisionals

DIVING BLOCKS AND COVERS

The use of diving blocks at the Bella Mar lap pool is restricted to swimmers under the instruction of official swim team coaches during practices, meets, and private lessons. Due to insurance restrictions, independent resident and/or guest usage of the diving blocks is prohibited.

AERATOR

If you swim at night, you may wonder why there is a contraption spraying water over the Bella Mar lap pool. This is an aerator, which is used to maintain proper water temperature. Please do not adjust the spray or move the aerator; doing so may result in damage.

HAVE A GREAT SEASON! GO STARS!

Gold Stars Swimming Developmental Swim Team

(Formally The Shooting Stars Program) Program begins July 12th & goes through August 4th, 2016 Practice Times: Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday: 8:30-9:30 am, 5-6 year olds. Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday: 9:30-10:30 am, 7-8 year olds. Participants must know to swim. This is not a learn-to-swim program. Cost: \$165

Contact Hollie at goldstarsswimming@austin.rr.com or 512-505-8688 for more information.

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.
- \$55 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 submit payment!

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!



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Water Aerobics Start In May: Register Now

Want to exercise, but can't get motivated? Perhaps the pavement plays havoc on your knees, legs or hips. Or maybe you just don't want to exercise by yourself. Try water aerobics! Classes start in May and will go through September at the Towne Square Pool.

WHEN:

COST:

REGISTRATION:

Monday/Wednesday, 6:45 pm Tuesday/Thursday, 9:00 am 8 classes per month: \$48 16 classes per month: \$96 Call Ann @ 512-266-4780 or email askennedy@austin.rr.com.

Sign up will take place prior to the first class of every month. Classes are 50 minutes long, will incorporate a full body workout in the water and are led by a certified water aerobics instructor. Some of the benefits of water aerobics fitness are:

*strengthens & improves muscle tone

*enhances muscular flexibility

*increases range of motion

*improves posture & physical appearance

*relieves tension & stress

*increases energy levels & stamina

*burns calories

*strengthens the cardiorespiratory system

Join us for lots of fun and great workouts to music. It's an opportunity to meet your neighbors and make new friends, while getting/staying in shape. Adult men and women welcome. This program is available to Steiner Ranch residents only.



Steiner Ranch Pool Rules

Swim season is upon us! Please remember the below pool rules when visiting the community pools. To ensure Steiner Ranch pools remain fun, safe and sanitary for all residents, keep the below rules in mind. Complete pool rules and regulations are posted on the HOA website, under Documents at www.steinerranchhoa.org.

1. Pools are for residents of the Steiner Ranch Master Association and the Steiner Ranch Residential Owners Associations and up to 4 guest per household without a reservation.

2. Non-potty trained Children are prohibited in the Bella Mar Lap Pool at any time.

3. The Association may deny access to the pools at any time due to occupancy limits, weather, pool conditions, or if maintenance is required.

4. At the discretion of the Association, and as approved by the Board of Directors of the SRROA and/or SRMA, certain periods of the normal open swim hours may be set aside for specialized activities.

5. Use of the pool facilities is at the resident and/or guest's own risk.

6. Lifeguards, when present, have full authority and are responsible for the interpretation and enforcement of all rules.

7. Only lifeguards are permitted on the lifeguard stand.

8. An adult must accompany children 12 years old and under at all times.

9. Proper swim wear is required.

10. No diving. Dive blocks are for use by Swim Teams and/or private lessons approved by the Association.

11. No Smoking.

12. No glass containers of any type are allowed in the pool facility.

13. No pets in pool area.

14. Residents are responsible for any damage they, their guests, or their children cause and for cleaning up any mess or trash created by them prior to leaving the pool facility.

15. Violation of these rules may result in suspension of pool privileges, fines or other charges, and/or legal action.

Be Aware of How Much Water You Are Using

Submitted by WCID 17

Look at your water bill, and in the summer try to keep your usage under 35,000 gallons for a 5/8° meter and 45,000 gallons per month for a 3/4° meter.

But the recommended watering schedule doesn't seem like enough. Won't my grass die? Most landscape plants get more water than they need. You can keep landscaping alive even during the worst summer heat and drought by following these tips.

- Start Early in the Year!!!! (late March is best) to condition your lawn to being watered two days a week or less. (From October to March, you may not have to water very much at all.) Water deeply 1 to 1.5 inches. This practice will encourage deep root systems and make for healthier, drought tolerant grass.
- Use native plants that do well on little water.
- Try not to plant or install new sod in the summer months. Give your plants time to get established before facing the summer heat. New grass, plants and shrubs require frequent watering for quite a while. Many new plants will die in the Texas summer heat even with constant watering.
- Mulch around plants to hold in water and discourage weeds.
- Install efficient irrigation systems. Avoid sprinklers with fine sprays. Don't water during the heat of the day (10 a.m. to 7 p.m.) when 60% of the water will be lost to evaporation. Install a moisture sensor system so that you will not be watering when it is raining.
- Use drip irrigation for bedded plants, trees and shrubs.
- Adjust automatic sprinkler systems so that they water landscaping and not sidewalks, driveways and pavement.
- Don't water on windy days.
- Water only enough to restore water lost to evapotranspiration (ET).
- If it rains during the week, subtract the rainfall from your required watering amount.

Okay. But how do I know how long to run my sprinklers? Your irrigation professional can tell you, or you can easily figure it out yourself. Set out several empty tuna cans on the lawn about eight to ten feet from the sprinkler head(s). Turn on the sprinkler and mark the time it takes to accumulate about one inch (use the average of the depth in the cans.) Longer watering is only wasting water and costing you money.

The District will continue to follow its state approved conservation plan this year, beginning May 1st all residential outdoor watering systems must limit water use to the two-day watering schedule or less. (Commercial and Multi-family customers water two days or less year-round.) Thank you for helping conserve water for today and tomorrow!

WCID 17 Hosting Household Hazardous Waste Collection

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News You Can Use

May is National Stroke Awareness Month

Submitted by Tom Henry, West Austin/Four Points Chamber of Commerce - Director of Community Health & Wellness

Having personally dealt with the significance of identifying and reacting appropriately and quickly, Stroke is a topic I feel is part of that "tool chest of knowledge" a person should have embedded into their sub-conscious.

Because Stroke can happen to anyone from unborn babies to newborns; children and teenagers; and adults of all ages, this is vital information that you may be asked to call upon at a moment's notice to save lives.

In observance of National Stroke Awareness Month, I reached out to my friends at Lakeway Regional Medical Center to offer their expert advice on the subject.

In late 2015, Lakeway Regional Medical Center (LRMC) successfully passed a rigorous review including an on-site evaluation by the Joint Commission which earned the hospital Primary Stroke Certification. LRMC launched the stroke program in October under the direction Dr. Darryl Camp, a board certified vascular neurologist.

"When you are dealing with a stroke, any kind of delay can be devastating. The most expedient route to receiving care is of utmost importance," said Dr. Camp, Stroke Medical Director.

Earning the Primary Stroke Certification ensures that the community of West Austin has advanced stroke care available close to home. As a resident of Steiner Ranch for a decade now, I take comfort in knowing we have this distinguished quality of care here, in our backyard.

Stroke is the nation's third leading cause of death in the United States with more than 795,000 people suffering a new or recurrent stroke each year. In addition, stroke is a leading cause of serious, long term disability with about 4.7 million stroke survivors alive today

It is also in the top 10 causes of death in children.

In speaking with Sarah Andrews, RN and Stroke Program Coordinator at LRMC, I learned that THE benchmark measurement for the treatment of eligible ischemic stroke patients is commonly referred to as, "door-to-needle time".

This time from when the patient enters the hospital to receiving

potentially life-saving and long term affect reducing intravenous medication called t-PA requires the Stroke Team to perform several time-critical steps.

According to Target: Stroke, a national quality improvement initiative of the AHA/ASA to improve the care of stroke, the time interval goals for these steps are:

(a) Perform an initial patient evaluation within 10 minutes of arrival in the emergency department

(b) Notify the stroke team within 15 minutes of arrival

(c) Initiate a CT scan within 25 minutes of arrival

(d) Interpret the CT scan within 45 minutes of arrival

(e) Ensure a door-to-needle time for IV rt-PA within 60 minutes from arrival

In March, Lakeway Regional Medical Center was consistently posting 30 minute door-to-needle times; far exceeding national goals.

Dr Darryl Camp, kindly put the following information together to help our community raise awareness of the urgency to recognize and react quickly, and how you can help reduce its impact when you may be called on to help save lives.

What is a Stroke?

There are two types of stroke. The most common type of stroke is an ischemic stroke. This type of stroke occurs when the blood supply to part of your brain is interrupted or severely reduced, depriving brain tissue of oxygen and nutrients. Within minutes, brain cells begin to die.

The less common type of stroke is called a hemorrhagic stroke. This occurs when a blood vessel ruptures and blood leaks into the brain. This may occur if a weakened area of a blood vessel (aneurysm) ruptures, the patient has severely elevated blood pressure, or blood may leak in the rare condition of malformed blood vessels. All strokes are medical emergencies. Prompt treatment is crucial especially in ischemic stroke. Early action can minimize brain damage and potential complications.

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The good news is that many strokes can be treated with medication and or interventional treatments. Because of better available treatments fewer Americans die of stroke now than even 15 years ago.

Can strokes be prevented?

Strokes can be prevented by reducing controllable risk factors. These include blood pressure management, glucose control in Diabetes, treatment of abnormal lipids, and management of atrial fibrillation and narrowed carotid arteries. Exercise, omitting tobacco, and limiting alcohol have proven to lower risks of stroke as well.

What are the signs or symptoms of stroke?

Depending upon the area of the brain involved, strokes may cause weakness on one side of the body, language disturbances, or vision and balance changes. Even loss of sensation can be a sign of stroke.

You may have heard the FAST acronym for stroke symptoms (Face drooping, Arm weakness, Speech difficulty, Time to call 9-1-1).

The last one is most important: Call 9-1-1 to go to the hospital. The best indicator in treating a stroke effectively is time—how fast doctors are able to start treatment. The faster you begin treatment, the less damage to your brain. Calling an ambulance means that EMTs can assess you at home and take you to the right hospital for stroke care. They can alert the stroke team to be ready to continue testing and start treatment.

Strokes deprive parts of your brain of blood and oxygen, which kills brain cells. A 2005 study quantified it:

For each minute a stroke is not treated, a patient loses 1.9 million neurons.

A stroke patient is not someone overreacting or making a fuss. They need treatment. Now. Call 9-1-1.

Why Call 9-1-1 Instead of Getting a Ride to the Hospital?

The second stroke symptoms start, an invisible countdown clock begins. The most effective treatment for strokes is a clot-busting drug called tPA that must be given within 3 to 4.5 hours of the start of symptoms. But you can't just walk into an ER and expect an IV of tPA.

Doctors need to get your medical history (some patients can't get tPA) and a CT scan of your brain (to be sure your stroke is ischemic – tPA would worsen a hemorrhagic stroke). That all eats into your precious tPA window. Now imagine an hour delay getting to the hospital because you got stuck in traffic.

Ambulances don't get stuck in traffic and EMS teams can get your medical history en route, so you arrive at the ER ready to go for a CT scan. You've increased your chances to get tPA and increased the likelihood of a good outcome.

Where is my nearest designated Primary Stroke center that can treat my stroke?

Lakeway Regional Medical Center is the nearest hospital and is a Joint Commission designated Primary Stroke Center, available 24/7 offering the latest treatments. Lakeway Regional is on the forefront of stroke with a dedicated stroke team, Board Certified Vascular Neurologist, and 24-hour Neurosurgery coverage.

Get Help, Even if Symptoms Go Away

You may have stroke symptoms like headache or one-sided numbness that went away after a few minutes. You should still go to the emergency room. You may have had what many people call a mini-stroke, or transient ischemic attack (TIA).

During a TIA, a clot blocks a blood vessel briefly and then clears. When you have had a TIA you are at greater risk for a stroke, and that risk is greatest in the first few days after a TIA.

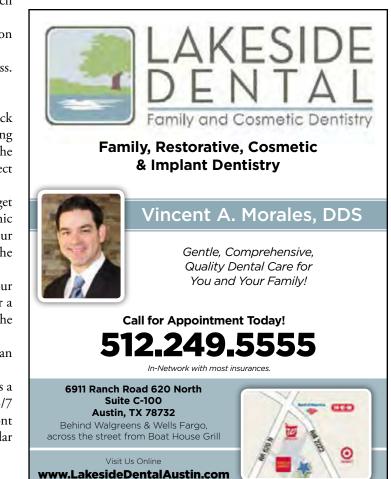
Seeking medical care for TIA symptoms, even after they have stopped, means doctors can diagnose you and start you on treatment to prevent a stroke.

*Special thanks to our friends Dr Darryl Camp; Sarah Andrews, RN; Christin Cross and Jewell Kibling at Lakeway Regional Medical Center for your help in providing this vital information to our community.

For additional resources and information please visit any of the following:

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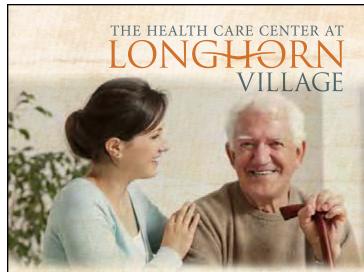
News You Can Use

The History Of Mother's Day

Celebrations of mothers and motherhood go back to the ancient Greeks and Romans, who held festivals in honor of mother goddesses. The modern concept of Mother's Day, however, was started by Anna Jarvis. On May 10, 1907 Jarvis organized an event to pay tribute to her late mother in her mother's hometown of Grafton, West Virginia. By the next year, Mother's Day was celebrated in her own city of Philadelphia. Anna Jarvis continued her efforts each year until a growing number of cities across the nation observed the date. In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson designated the second Sunday of every May as the Mother's Day holiday.

Jarvis envisioned Mother's Day as a day of spending time with your mother and thanking her for all she did. She saw Mother's Day as a day to celebrate the best mother you've ever known: your mother. Which explains why Jarvis used the singular "Mother's Day," rather than the plural "Mothers' Day."





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Memorial Day Potato Salad

This tried and true potato salad isn't your ordinary salad. Red potatoes, bacon, chucks of hard-boiled egg, crunchy celery and green onion make this salad a family favorite. Enjoy it at your Memorial Day BBQ or picnic!

Ingredients:

- 2 pounds clean, scrubbed new red potatoes
- 5 or 6 hard-boiled eggs
- 1 pound bacon
- ¹/₄ cup green onions, chopped
- 1 stalk celery, finely chopped
- 2 cups real mayonnaise
- Salt and pepper to taste

Directions:

1. Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Add potatoes and cook until tender but still firm, about 15 minutes. Drain and put in the refrigerator to cool.

2. Place eggs in a saucepan and cover with cold water. Bring water to a boil and immediately remove from heat. Cover and let eggs stand in hot water for 10 to 12 minutes. Remove from hot water, cool, peel and chop. 3. Place bacon in a large, deep skillet. Cook over medium high heat until evenly brown. Drain, crumble and set aside.

4. Chop the cooled potatoes, leaving skin on. Add to a large bowl, along with the eggs, bacon, green onion and celery. Add mayonnaise, salt and pepper to taste. Chill for an hour before serving. Enjoy!





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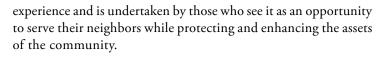
Functions Of A Homeowners' Board Of Directors

A board of directors is necessary for a homeowners' association to function properly. These elected volunteers are responsible for operations of the association and ensuring the community governing documents are followed and enforced. The bylaws of an association give information regarding requirements pertaining to the community board of directors. Election procedures, the number of members, officer positions, and terms vary by association.

A HOA board of directors is elected from and by homeowners of the community at the annual meeting. Community bylaws list how the election should be conducted: if it is held by ballot or proxy or both, and how many homeowners must vote to reach quorum. The number of board members varies and terms often range from two to three years.

Once a board is elected by their peers, the board members will gather to elect officers, usually during the first board meeting following the annual meeting. Associations are required to have a president, secretary, and treasurer.

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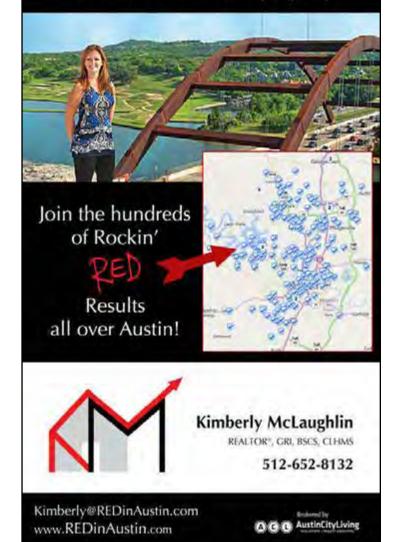
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