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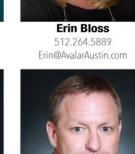
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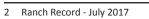
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## Ranch Record

# UPCOMING STEINER RANCH EVERATS

- 7/3 Decorate Your Ride
- 7/4 Independence Day Celebration
- 7/7 Free Children's Summer Concert Series
- 7/28 Free Children's Summer Concert Series
- 8/19 Concert In The Park
- 9/16 Community Service Event
- 10/5 New Homeowner Social
- 10/6 Scrap A Thon
- 10/15 Pumpkin Patch
- 10/29 Trunk Or Treat
- 11/23 Steiner Ranch Turkey Trot
- 12/2 Holiday Shopping Event
- 12/9 Breakfast With Santa



Want to get involved? Join the Events Planning Committee! The Committee meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 9:00am at Cups & Cones.

Events are tentative & subject to change or cancel at any time. Events are planned by the Steiner Ranch Events Planning Committee, and are for Steiner Ranch residents in good standing with the association, and their guests only. Final approval to participate in any Steiner Ranch program or event is dependent upon HOA approval. For more information, please contact Desirre Ghebremicael at: desirre@steinerranchhoa.org

For the most up to date information, follow us at: Facebook.com/SteinerRanchHOAevents or visit the Steiner Ranch HOA website at:

www.steinerranchhoa.org

## **COVER PHOTO**



Happy Birthday America! This month's cover photograph was taken at the 2016 Steiner Ranch HOA Independence Day Celebration and captures

the sweet smile of a little Steiner Rancher enjoying the festivities. We wish all residents a safe Independence Day and hope you'll join us for this year's Fourth of July event, organized by the HOA Events Planning Committee.

#### Photo credit: Emily Michelle Photography

Have a photo you would like to see published in the next Ranch Record? Send pictures to communications@ steinerranchhoa.org. for consideration no later than the 8th of the month prior to publication. Your photo might just be next month's cover!

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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## From the Association Office



**INDEPENDENCE DAY!** 

#### Reminder: Fireworks Prohibited In Steiner Ranch

The Steiner Ranch HOA wishes residents a happy and safe Independence Day! As you make plans to celebrate the Fourth of July, please consider the many opportunities to view fireworks in Austin, where they are handled by professionals. Fireworks within Steiner Ranch are absolutely prohibited. There are a number of reasons for this:

1) The use of fireworks places homes at serious risk of fire.

2) The topography and green space of Steiner Ranch is conducive to fires.

3) Federal rules regarding management of the Balcones Canyonlands (which borders Steiner Ranch) impose significant restrictions on activities that may affect wildlife therein. Serious penalties for violation can be imposed by federal officials.

4) Homeowners are entitled to the peaceful enjoyment of their property.

Thank you for your support.

### Association Assessment Payments Due

Semi-annual assessments for July - December 2017 are due on July 1, 2017. Statements were mailed in early June to all homeowners with a mailing address on file with the association. If you did not receive a statement, please contact the Community Associations Office at 512-266-7553. Payments received after July 31, 2017 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. Escrow accounts do not pay assessments.

## Please note assessments must be received by July 31st, not simply postmarked by July 31st.

Online assessment payments may be made at www.steinerranchhoa. org, by clicking on the "Online Assessment Payments" link.

Payments may be mailed to the address listed on your statement, or brought to the Association office at 12550 Country Trails Lane to avoid an on-line fee.

\*\*\*Resident privileges such as pool access, facility rental, and attendance at, or registration for HOA social functions and programs may be suspended if assessment is late or account is delinquent.\*\*\*

#### **SRMA Board Meeting Summary**

Submitted by the SRMA Board Of Directors

The Board of Directors of the Steiner Ranch Master Association (SRMA) met on Tuesday, May 30, 2017, at 6:00pm at the Towne Square Community Center. Though the official minutes will be posted on the HOA website, here is a summary of what occurred.

Directors present: Naren Chilukuri - President, Erika Fletcher – Vice President, Amy Colton – Secretary, Robby Roberts – Treasurer, Dave Dowman – Director, Rekha Garapati – Director, Craig Smyser – Director.

Association staff present: Randy Schmaltz – Executive Director, Mack Taylor – Community Manager, Luke Spoonts – Facilities Asset Manager, Andrew Smullen – Controller.

Legal counsel present: Clint Brown - Attorney

Seven residents addressed the board regarding a variety of issues. Residents are welcome to address the board in person at meetings or to email the board at Board@SteinerRanchHOA.org.

Board President Naren Chilukuri presented the board's vision, mission, and core values. These items were put together by the board in two previous workshops.

The board reviewed a summary of the current financials as presented by the controller. The 2016 audit is scheduled for completion in July.

The board voted to restore financial information to the HOA website. The budgets for 2015, 2016, and 2017 will be posted. The actuals for 2015 and 2016 will also be posted. Finally, the year-to-date monthly summaries will be posted for each month of 2017 and, going forward, updated each month after the board has reviewed them.

The board voted to explore the feasibility and cost to install walls along Quinlan Park for Sierra Vista and other neighborhoods which do not have them. As background, the developer erected masonry walls behind homes that back to major roads such as Quinlan Park and Steiner Ranch Boulevard. However, the developer installed wrought iron fences instead of masonry walls at Sierra Vista, The Bluffs, and Santaluz. The board is seeking a determination of which governing documents would need to be revised or other changes made to permit a masonry wall.

A discussion of yard signs led to the board passing a resolution to review changes to a variety of the community governing documents. The committee will be chaired by Director Rehka Garapati.

The board voted to send letters from SRMA to a variety of US Senators and Representatives in support of the second access road behind Vandegrift High School.

The board received status updates on the request-for-proposals for the landscaping contract (the current contract expires in November) and the security improvements at the Lake Club.

The board discussed compliance regarding signs along the roadsides in Steiner Ranch as well as open house signs on the weekends.

Association staff presented the board with information compiled regarding the costs and pay off for replacing existing common area lights with LED fixtures. The board requested that bids be obtained from LED companies to further examine the issue.

The next SRMA Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 27th at 6:00pm at Towne Square Community Center.

#### Intersection Safety Improvement in Steiner Ranch

#### Submitted by SRMA Board Member, Craig Smyser

The Steiner Ranch Master Association Board of Directors reached out to Travis County to take a closer look at the intersection of Quinlan Park Road and University Club Drive / Steiner Ranch Boulevard. As most Steiner residents are aware, the left turn lanes on Quinlan Park have poor sight lines creating a hazardous situation when attempting to turn left. This is especially true when traveling northbound on Quinlan Park and turning left to Steiner Ranch Boulevard. David Greear, traffic manager for Travis County, has proposed a solution and will test it out over the next few months.

There are sensors in the left turn lanes that detect when a car is present, but right now they are only used at certain times of day. Under the test, the sensors will be utilized at all times. Further, for most of the day, drivers will only be permitted to turn left on a protected green arrow and will not be able to turn left on unprotected green. After 9:00pm, however, an unprotected green left turn will be permitted.

The county plans to reprogram the signals by mid-June. This will result in safer left turns but slightly longer light cycles when there is a car in the left turn lane. The county will evaluate the new traffic pattern for a few months then decide if the changes should stay, revert to the way it was, or try another option. Please feel free to email your comments about the change to Craig@SteinerRanchHOA.org. Thank you to Brian Thompto and the Steiner Ranch Neighborhood Association for their input on this matter.

### Improvements Made At Lake Club To Deter Vandalism

The HOA maintenance team recently completed several improvements at the Lake Club facility in an effort to deter vandalism. Added security measures have been put in place as the facility has been vandalized on multiple occasions during the last year. Most notably, facility restroom doors have been kicked in numerous times. To deter this type of activity, new restroom doors made of fire-rated steel with steel jams have been installed. The construction of these doors make them harder to break down and require a facility tag/key fob to access restrooms like the old ones did.

High-definition security cameras have also been added at the facility. As in past instances of vandalism occurring at Steiner Ranch amenities, HOA staff will cooperate with law enforcement and share recorded footage with authorities to help ensure individuals participating in criminal activity at association facilities are held accountable for their actions.

Additionally, a six-foot wrought iron fence was added along the Lake Club property to complement fencing already in place

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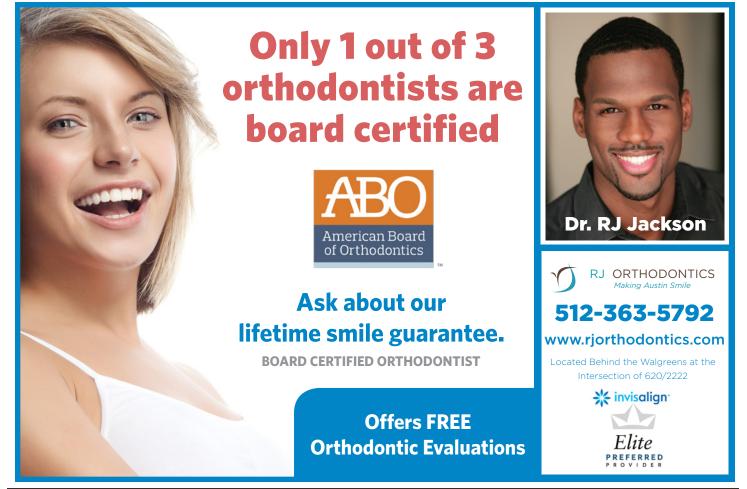


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along the other three sides. The new fence extends over the lake near the public boat ramp, preventing easy access to the docks by non-residents. The new gate also requires a facility tag/key fob to access the Lake Club facility. Finally, in an effort to provide a safety barrier between the Lake Club and the water, the lower fence which was already in place was left.

The association is hopeful these measures will deter vandalism and trespassing so that residents are able to enjoy a well-maintained facility without increased costs. If you haven't visited in a while, the HOA invites you to stop by Steiner's facility on Lake Austin– it's one of the many perks of living in Steiner Ranch!





## **Community Reminders**

Steiner Ranch is a beautiful community. To keep the community maintained and safe for residents, please keep the following in mind and share with all family members:

• Throw away trash and take all belongings before leaving neighborhood parks, pools, basketball courts and other facilities.

• Pick up after pets and obey leash laws.

• Greenbelts in Steiner Ranch are private HOA property. Cutting trees, constructing forts or fire pits, and any other activity which damages greenbelts is prohibited and may result in fines and penalties.

• Fires are absolutely prohibited in Steiner Ranch greenbelts.

• Motorized vehicles are not allowed in greenbelts or trails as they pose a potential safety hazard to walkers and bikers. They also damage the trails, which the Trails Committee and other volunteers graciously maintain.

Should you observe anyone vandalizing the greenbelts or any community amenity, please contact the Travis County Sherriff's Department and notify the HOA office.

## **Oak Pruning Guidelines**

Although the risk of oak trees being exposed to oak wilt is greatest from January through June, residents are encouraged to follow proper pruning techniques regardless of seasonality. TexasOakWilt. org recommends the following:

• Always paint fresh wounds on oaks, including pruning cuts and stumps, with wound dressing or latex paint immediately after pruning or live tree removal at all times of the year.

• Clean all pruning tools with 10% bleach solution or Lysol™ between sites and/or trees.

• Debris from diseased red oaks should be immediately chipped, burned or buried.

• Pruning should be completed before February 1 or after June 30.

If uncertain about trimming, consult with a Texas oak wilt certified arborist, an oak wilt specialist from a city, county or state government agency such as the Texas Forest Service or Texas AgriLife Extension Service, or visit texasoakwilt.org.



## Overnight Parking, Boats & Watercraft Storage Reminders

Per Steiner Ranch governing documents, no automobile or other vehicle may be parked overnight on any roadway within the community. Boats and watercraft must be stored in an enclosed space at all times. Storing watercraft in driveways or on the street is not allowed.

To report overnight street parking or watercraft violations, visit www.steinerranchoa.org and click "report a problem".

Thank you for helping the association uphold Steiner Ranch rules.



## **Follow Us on Facebook**

Want to be in the know about Steiner Ranch events? Follow us on Facebook! Events offered by the Steiner Ranch Home Owners' Association are posted on our events Facebook page – the only official Facebook page of the Steiner Ranch HOA. Search Steiner Ranch HOA events to find us. To see our posts in your news feed, do the following:

1. Like our page.

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## Sign Up For HOA Email Bulletins

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1. Log on to www.steinerranchhoa.org

2. If you've never accessed the resident only portion of the site, or do not have a user name or password, you will need to complete a login request. The request link is located on the homepage in the gray 'Quick Links' box.

3. Click the 'Home' menu tab

4. Click 'My Profile'

5. Click 'Subscriptions' to manage which email subscriptions you wish to receive.

## Steiner Activities & Events

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Join Us For Our Greatest Fourth Of July Celebration Ever! July 4th, 9am-1pm Towne Square

America:

Make plans to celebrate Independence Day at the annual Steiner Ranch Fourth of July Celebration! All Steiner Ranch residents, families and friends are invited to attend this fun, patriotic, familyfocused event, organized by the HOA Events Planning Committee.

New this year! The Austin Civic Wind Ensemble will kick off the event by performing the National Anthem, followed by patriotic music. The ensemble is the oldest civic band in Austin and is made up of over 70 musicians. The Events Planning Committee is thrilled to add this group to this year's event.

The annual Steiner Ranch Independence Day Community Parade will begin following the National Anthem. Children are invited to bring their decorated bikes, wagons and scooters. Adults are invited to bring their decorated strollers and wagons to participate on foot.

In addition to the parade, our July 4th Celebration will feature water slides, carnival games, a rock wall, kiddie train, bungie jumping, carnival swing, balloons, face painting, and music. Get ready for a Steiner Ranch Fourth of July celebration unlike any other!

Cups & Cones will be in attendance and will be selling breakfast tacos, hamburgers, hotdogs, watermelon and other goodies. Kona Ice will also be on site, so be sure to bring cash for food purchase.

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## Steiner Activities & Events

#### **Decorate Your Ride!** WHEN: JULY 3RD, 6PM – 8PM WHERE: TOWNE SQUARE PAVILION

Get ready for the Steiner Ranch Fourth of July parade, and come decorate your bikes, wagons, scooters and strollers. The HOA will supply streamers, stickers and other decor to help kiddos deck out their ride in patriotic fashion!



## Thank You Independence Day Event Sponsors!

The Steiner Ranch HOA Events Planning Committee thanks F45 Training Four Points, AllGood Chiropractic & Family Wellness Center, Personique, Steiner Life Team and Wild Basin Fitness

for sponsoring our amazing Steiner Ranch Independence Day Celebration event. Your support is appreciated!



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## Steiner Ranch HOA Presents: Free Children's Summer Concert Series!

New this summer - The association is offering a FREE Children's Summer Concert Series to Steiner Ranch residents! We've partnered with Front Door Concerts to bring Austin's most popular children's entertainers to Steiner Ranch - each event will entertain and delight parents and children alike. Concert dates are noted below and will take place at Towne Square Community Center starting at 10:30am.

#### **Concert Series Dates:**

#### July 7th:

Staci Gray

Great songs and amazing voice! A staple of the ATX children's scene!

#### July 28th:

Lauren Diamond

Ms. Diamond is an elementary music teacher who performs all the classic sing-along move-along standards. Great voice and funny stories!

#### August 4th:

Terrence Taps, Taps@TapDanceMan.com.

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## **Concert In The Park Celebrates 10 Year Anniversary!**



The Events Planning Committee is excited to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the annual Concert In The Park community event, scheduled for August 19th at Towne Square. The event will begin at 7:00pm and will feature local band, The Royal Dukes. The 14-piece Austin band has a "cooler than average" song line up and performs a range of musical styles. Following tradition,

Star Flight's dramatic entrance and landing will kick off festivities, followed by performances by the Vandegrift High School band, cheer and dance teams. Games and activities for the whole family will be available and food will be offered for sale. Residents are welcome to bring refreshments. Lawn chairs and blankets are recommended.

Concert In The Park began in the summer of 2007 when Cups & Cones owners Rick Nordin and Kristi Lee-Nordin hosted a small band at their business and received positive resident response. The idea grew from there, and Concert In The Park has since been hosted by the Steiner Ranch HOA Events Planning Committee every August. The goal of the event is to bring local businesses together to provide a free end of summer concert for residents, while giving back to the community. This year's event supports LISD and their school supplies

initiative. Residents may make donations to help the district pay for school supplies to be given to students unable to afford them. To donate visit www.steinerconcerts.org.

What started small is now Steiner's largest neighborhood social event, attracting thousands of residents and friends. We hope you'll join us for our 10th celebration of Concert In The Park!

A special thank you to the HOA Events Planning Committee & Concert In The Park sponsors for their support. We couldn't host this event without you!

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2017 Steiner Ranch Concert in the Park Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 7PM To sponsor this HUGE Community event visit: http://www.steinerranchconcerts.com/home.asp

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## Steiner Activities & Events

## IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR SUMMER PROGRAMS!



The association's Summer Program Guide puts all HOA activity and program offerings in one place. Activities are available for adults and children! Stop by the HOA office for a hard copy or visit the HOA website to view online: www.steinerranchhoa.org. Featured programs and camps include:

#### **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**

- Idea Lab Kidventure Lonestar Soccer Little Medical School
- Little Veterinarian School Mad Science Neighborhood Sports
- Soccer Swimming Sportball Tennis

#### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

- Akido Camp Gladiator Tai Chi Tennis
- Master's Swimming Water Aerobics Yoga

## JULY HEALTH WORKSHOPS

#### TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE FOLLOWING FREE HEALTH WORKSHOPS OFFERED TO STEINER RANCH RESIDENTS THIS MONTH:

#### Benefits of Strength & Endurance Training: July 18th, Towne Square Community Center, 7:00pm

Presented by Steiner Ranch resident and physician,

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#### Spinal Health: July 19th & July 26th, Towne Square Community Center from 7:00pm – 7:30pm

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- -Chiropractic care for children

-How chiropractic care can increase productivity in the workplace

-How chiropractic care can increase overall quality of life



## FREE ACTIVITIES FOR RESIDENTS

THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES ARE OFFERED TO STEINER RANCH RESIDENTS FREE OF CHARGE:

Aikido	Meets at Bella Mar Community Center Tuesday evenings at 8:30pm	
Cycling Group	Meets at Cups & Cones Saturday & Sunday Mornings at 7:30am	
Tai Chi	Meets at Towne Square Community Center Monday through Friday at 8:15am	
Yoga Prov	ided by Lake Austin Spa instructor. Meets at Towne Square Mondays at 6:30pm	
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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### **CPR Certification & First Aid** Training Class

The association has partnered with Steiner Ranch resident and registered nurse, Tracie Zinda, RN, BSN, to offer CPR and First Aid training to residents. Tracie is certified by the American Heart Association and has taught CPR and First Aid for over 10 years. In addition, Tracie has worked in Family Practice Medicine for 5 years, Women's Health for 9 years, and began her career as a Labor and Delivery Nurse at Seton Medical Center.

Upon completion of this class and passing a skills performance test, attendees will become certified in CPR. This is an excellent opportunity to learn how to prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies.

What: CPR Certification & First Aid Training

Who: Offered to Steiner Ranch residents ages 10 & up

Where: Town Square Community Center

When: August 5th from 8:00am-2:30pm

**Registration?** Class size is limited to 27 people. Visit the HOA events Facebook page or website for registration link and payment information or log on to:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cpr-certification-first-aid-training-class-tickets-34576149193

## Free Tai Chi Group Practice

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- Improve Health and Physical Fitness
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Questions : contact 512-470-6978 or rosaliachiu@gmail.com

### Community Wide Garage Sale Limited To Spring

Due to decreased buyer turnout and resident participation at Steiner Ranch community garage sales, the Events Planning Committee voted to eliminate the fall Steiner Ranch community garage sale. But don't despair - the annual spring garage sale will take place as usual. Date to be announced later this year.

## YOUNG 🞾 HEART

#### youngatheartaustin@gmail.com

Young at Heart is an active social group open to Steiner Ranch residents ages 50+. We are purely a social organization wanting to share fun times. Joining us is a great way to make new friends, and get to know people your own age in the neighborhood. If you live in Steiner Ranch, you are invited to join us. To become a member, send your name(s), address, phone number and e-mail address to youngatheartaustin@ gmail.com.

Our most popular activities include evening Canasta as well as ladies Canasta at the UT Golf Club. In addition, we offer numerous activities to meet varied interests such as: Book Club, Euchre, Mah Jongg, Mexican Train, Bunco, Walking, Hiking, Biking, Spanish Conversation, Painting, Card Making, Ladies CLEO Luncheons (Classy Ladies Eating Out), and our popular ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out). We also get together for happy hours, wine socials and dinner groups. We would love to have you join us!



## **Day of Community Service**

The Events Planning Committee is organizing a Day of Community Service to take place on Saturday, September 16, 2017 in Steiner Ranch. The purpose of the event is offer an opportunity for residents to give back to Steiner Ranch - the place we call home. So many of us volunteer and serve outside of our neighborhood, which is fantastic. This event will provide an opportunity to serve in the neighborhood where we live. For now, please hold the date! Details will be posted soon on the HOA Events Facebook page, HOA website - steinerranchhoa.org, and in coming Ranch Record issues.



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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, currently 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 50 up to 70+ miles. The turnout is typically between 10 - 20 riders depending on weather. There is no designated sweeper for these rides. 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).

Steiner Ranch Cycling is powered by Lakeside's awesome burgers (such as their Bacon Avocado Burger) and refreshed by their beer. Join us there after the ride on Saturdays to refuel and recover!

#### 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 20 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 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.

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## STEINER RANCH POOL RULES

To ensure Steiner Ranch pools remain fun, safe, and sanitary for all residents, the below rules are in place.

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

1. Pool gates must remain closed and locked at all times. A facility fob is to be used to access locked facilities during hours of operation. DO NOT PROP GATES!

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

3. 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.

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

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

6. Only lifeguards are permitted on the lifeguard stand.

7. An adult must accompany children 14 years old and under at all times.

8. Proper swim wear is required. Swim diaper and plastic pants must be worn by children who are not completely toilet trained.

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

10. No Smoking.

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

12. No pets in pool area.

13. 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.

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



### Summer Pool Hours & Schedules

Bella Mar – (lap pool heated)

Closed Monday until 2:00pm Open Tuesday – Sunday 7:00am 10:00pm

**The following programs will be using the lap pool:** Master's Swim Program – Wednesday & Friday 5:30am – 6:45am;

Sunday 6:30am – 7:45am 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

**The following program will be using the pool:** Water Aerobics – Monday & Wednesday 6:45pm – 7:35pm; Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am – 9:50am

> **John Simpson – (unheated)** Closed Monday until 2:00pm Open Tuesday – Sunday 8:00am – 10:00pm

**The following programs will be using lap lanes:** Gold Stars Swimming – Tuesday & Thursday 3:45pm – 5:45pm Swim Lessons – Tuesday – Friday 9:00am – 11:00am

Pool calendars are available online at: www.steinerranchhoa.org Click the amenities tab, then the pool facility you wish to view. *Note:* When lifeguards are not on duty, swim at your own risk.



## **Requirements For Pool Parties At Neighborhood Pools**

If you are inviting more than 25 guests to use one of the community pools, you are required to hire additional lifeguards, at your expense, through the lifeguard company approved by the HOA. Please contact Equipt Aquatics directly for scheduling: 512-969-1405.

## **Pool Safety Tips**

• Always watch children when they are in or near water. Never leave children unattended at community pools and don't expect children to be responsible for younger children/ siblings while visiting pools.

• Don't rely solely of Lifeguards to watch your child(ren). Lifeguards are trained to scan the entire pool area-they are not watching out for only your child(ren).

• Teach children to swim.

• Learn CPR. It can help save a life. The HOA has partnered with registered nurse and CPR/First Aid instructor Tracie Zinda to offer residents CPR classes. See page 21 for details. CPR classes are also available at hospitals, community centers, or by contacting the American Red Cross.





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## Gold Stars Developmental Swim Team

#### GOLD STARS DEVELOPMENTAL SWIM TEAM JULY 12TH THROUGH AUGUST 4TH



Gold Stars Developmental Swim Team will take place at John Simpson Pool July 12th - August 4th. This is a non-competitive swim team for swimmers ages 5 to 12. It is not a learn to swim program. Prior swim experience is necessary to enroll – kids need to

be able to tread water for 10 seconds and be able to put their faces under water for at least 3 seconds. Swimmers will need a competitive style swim suit – one piece for girls and jammers for boys. Goggles and rubber fins will also be needed.

For information and registration, contact Hollie at: goldstarsswimming@gmail.com or visit www.goldstarsswimming.com/developmentas-swim



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## Year Round Swimming Program for Adults

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#### 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. Print your card and email a copy to program lead, Hollie Kenney.

3. Contact Hollie Kenney at holliekenney@austin.rr.com to register.

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!

## Water Aerobics Classes At Towne Square Pool

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 go through September at the Towne Square Pool.

WHEN: Monday/Wednesday, 6:45 pm

Tuesday/Thursday, 9:00 am

**COST:** 8 classes per month: \$48 or 16 classes per month: \$96

**REGISTRATION:** 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:

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\*enhances muscular flexibility

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## DON'T GET CAUGHT PAYING BIG BUCKS FOR MISCHIEVIOUS GAMES CHILDREN PLAY! (Read on for Safety)

#### Submitted by WCID 17

Summer is upon us and middle aged children are too old for a babysitter, and perhaps too young to leave alone. WCID 17 General Manager Jason Homan asks that you "please sit down with your children and explain the hazards of entering any area that is fenced off. These areas are fenced off for safety!" Not only could your child damage property, they could sustain serious injury just trying to climb a fence. They could also encounter hazards such as electrical circuits with high voltage, razor wire and potential to fall into deep manholes. Likewise, opening or closing a fire hydrant improperly can cause serious damage to the surrounding piping and valves. He said that another rite of passage some teenagers consider a harmless prank is climbing water tanks and painting initials on them. "This is not the case. The height of the tanks (120-140 ft) and high winds at those altitudes makes them extremely dangerous places even for experienced personnel with the proper safety equipment."

Now, antiterrorism laws make tampering with or even unauthorized entry into any public water or wastewater facility a serious federal offense punishable by lengthy jail time. District 17 uses a variety of entry deterrents on both water and wastewater facilities including high fences, barbed wire, and razor wire. WCID 17 will enforce a \$100 fine for any first offender and \$500 for a second offense. The General Manager explained that "WCID 17 has installed motion detecting cameras throughout the fenced sites to help identify any unauthorized entries that will include your children if they are out and about without this knowledge."

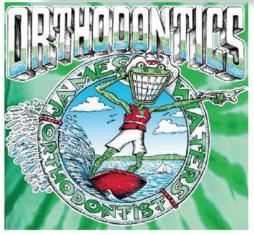
Please report any suspicious activity around wastewater pumping stations, water tanks, hydrants, or water pumping stations to the WCID 17 office at 512-266-1111 or emergency after hours phone, 512-537-8302. You can help keep your children safe!





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#### Introducing New Water District 17 General Manager Submitted by WCID 17

Jason Homan joined the staff April

21, 2017. As the Chief Executive Officer

for a municipal water and wastewater

utility in central Texas, Mr. Homan

is responsible for all administrative and operational functions including

municipal water production, water

conservation, wastewater processing

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GENERAL MANAGER Jason F. Homan

Jason F. Homan As a results oriented senior manager with strong technical experience, Mr. Homan has a record of accomplishments in utility production, water chemistry, personnel management, facilities management and resource planning in venues such as industrial repair, production facilities and industrial training facilities, including overseas operations. He has an extensive background in planning, implementing and directing physical plant upgrades, training, developing and managing utility employees and supervisors, as well as performing utility inspections for regulatory and safety compliance.

Prior to accepting the position of General Manager for Travis County Water Control and Improvement District No. 17, Mr. Homan served 20 years in the US Navy in the Nuclear Power sector. Holding positions of increasing responsibility on various vessels and Commands culminating in his promotion to Master Chief Petty Officer where he managed the regulatory compliance of the water chemistry and radiological controls programs for all west coast nuclear powered Aircraft Carriers. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Applied Science and Technology; Nuclear Engineering Technology from Thomas Edison State University in Trenton, New Jersey.



## **Summer Home Security Tips**

To protect your home from being targeted while out of town during summer vacation, consider the following:

- Don't broadcast your absence. Never leave a post on social media saying, "I'm away on vacation."

- Improve lighting. Motion lights or dusk to dawn detector lights, and timers are all good ideas.

- Trim shrubbery. Trimming shrubbery eliminates hiding places for would be intruders.

- Make your address clearly visible. Doing so makes it easier for emergency personnel to find your home in the event of an emergency.

- Stop all deliveries. Nothing says "I'm not home" like accumulated newspapers or packages at the door.

- Adjust blinds. Leave blinds and curtains in normal positions wherever possible, taking care not to leave expensive belongings visible through windows.

- Set the alarm. Activate your alarm system.

- Lock up. Ensure all windows and doors are securely locked before you leave. Close and lock your garage door when you are not nearby.

- Ask a trusted neighbor to keep an eye on your home while you're away. Neighbors watching out for one another is a good way to deter crime.



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