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SENDERA HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

OFFICIAL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Sendera and Circle C Pond Rehabilitation Project

By Tom Franke



The Watershed Protection Department has identified many opportunities for repairs of aging or non-functioning storm water treatment facilities over the Barton Springs Recharge Zone. The Slaughter Creek—Sendera and Circle C—Pond Rehabilitation project will retrofit four ponds that have been identified as high-priority:

- The Sendera South wet pond
- The Sendera 15-B wet pond
- Two retention and irrigation ponds serving Circle C Ranch

These ponds have all been observed to leak rapidly. The project will remove sediments from the ponds and replace the existing clay liner with a more durable geomembrane liner system. Additionally, modifications to the wet ponds will be made to enhance performance and align more closely with current City of Austin Environmental Criteria Manual design requirements.

The City of Austin Watershed Protection Department has received a bid from a construction contractor for the rehabilitation of the Norman Trail wet pond. The City Council has approved the award for construction to the contractor and the issuance of the Notice to Proceed with construction is pending contract approval. Construction should start in early spring at the Norman Trail (Sendera South) wet pond and be completed by early summer 2018, weather permitting. Once the Norman Trail pond is completed, the contractor will start working on the Bremner (Sendera 15B) wet pond. Once construction begins, contact information will be posted at the construction site should you have any questions.

New Pool Vendor, Reminders for the Swim Season

By Duane Galligher

The Sendera pool is officially open, and we are excited to be working with a new pool maintenance and lifeguard vendor this year, Lifeguard 4 Hire. They are now hiring lifeguards for the summer and eligible Sendera teens can apply at lifeguard4hire.com under the Employment tab.

As many of you are aware, we experienced significant issues maintaining balanced chemical levels last year. In addition to having a new vendor overseeing the pool, they have installed a new chemical system as well.

The board is very hopeful that this pool season will go smoothly. If unexpected issues do arise, we will do our best to communicate those issues quickly and resolve them quickly. We were forced to close the pool several times last season due to fecal contamination, so we would ask that parents use a swim diaper on toddlers (and change it regularly) to avoid similar closures this season.

As a reminder, the pool is open daily from 6 am-10 pm from Spring Break in March through the end of November. Lifeguards will be on duty from noon-8 pm beginning at the end of May when school lets out. We ask that everyone treat the lifeguards courteously and follow their directions, especially since many of them could be Sendera residents themselves!

When a lifeguard is on duty, children age 10 years and younger must be accompanied by an adult or designated childcare provider of at least 15 years of age. Teenage residents age 13-17 may bring a guest to the pool without an adult present. Children ages 11-16 must demonstrate to the lifeguard the ability to swim the length of the pool and conduct themselves in accordance with pool rules.

When a lifeguard is NOT on duty, children under the age of 17 must be accompanied by an adult age 18 or older. Monday–Thursday between 6-8 am and between 9-10 pm are designated adult swim times.

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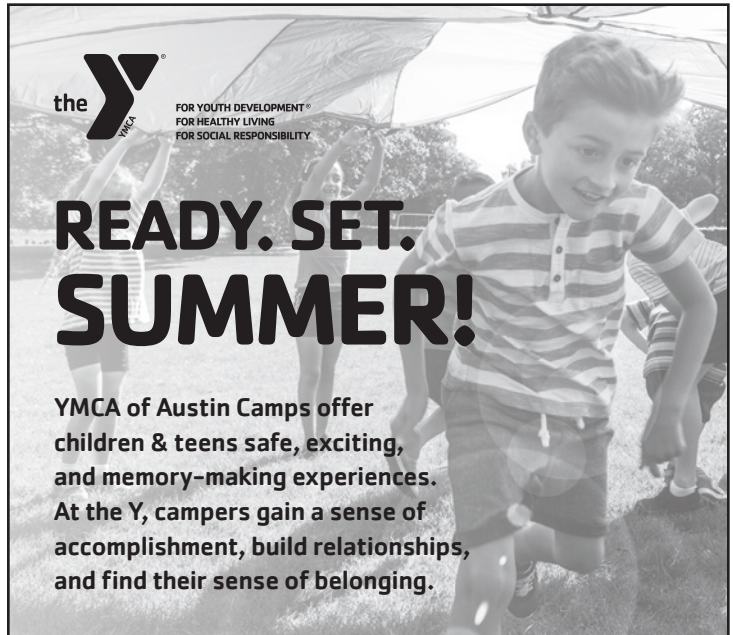
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Any individuals who abuse the pool privileges could lose his/her pool privileges at the discretion of the board. Any acts of vandalism or damage caused to the pool WILL result in loss of pool privileges, and those committing such acts will be responsible for any cleaning or repair costs. Any owner whose account shows unpaid dues/assessments/fines will have their pool access revoked until the account is cleared.

If you need to request a pool key, visit www.senderahoa.com and click the "Need a Pool Key?" link after logging in.

To view the official pool rules, as well as information about how to host a party at the pool, visit the same website, and click the "New Amenities" link on the right side of the page.



NEW SENDERA WEB PAGE

ATTENTION ALL NEIGHBORS!

With a new management company came a new and improved Sendera website. Please direct your browser to:

www.senderahoa.com

At your first visit, you'll need to request a login. Once you have access to the site, you can check out the events calendar, pay dues, download the architectural form, or consult the HOA regulations. On the first page there are quick links to ask a question, request a pool key, or report a violation.

At the time of this newsletter's April deadline, the web page was fully functioning but still being tweaked to reflect our neighborhood's specific expectations. Contact FirstService for suggestions or issues..



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If you haven't done so already, create an account at Nextdoor.com. Then post your inquiry to find neighbors available for hire, or advertise your own services in a quick and easy way. Nextdoor is essentially a free job listing service that is always up-to-date and based on community participation.

Sendera neighborhood currently has almost 75% participation on Nextdoor, so it is the most efficient way for Sendera residents to solicit jobs or hire help. Best of all, it's online, so the more people use it, the better connected we can all be.

Sendera Recreation News April 2018

Submitted by Suzann Vera

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SENDERA 2018 EVENTS.....

- June 9 - Dive In Movie
- July 14 - Dive In Movie
- August 11 - Dive In Movie
- October 13 - Fall Festival
- October 26-28 - Halloween Decorating Contest
- December 14-16 - Christmas Decorating Contest

Event details can be found on:

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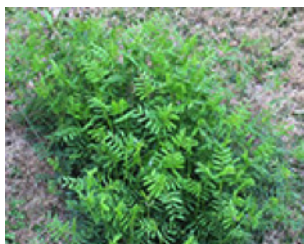
IN THE GARDEN

by Pamela Kurburski

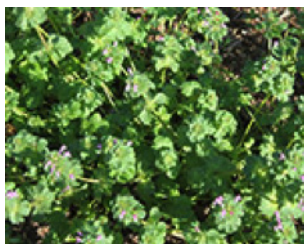
Although the severe freezes of the past winter may have done a number on all those flowers you love, I guarantee they did not have the same impact on the weed seeds that have been lying in wait. They are always the first to spring forth as the weather warms. There are an amazing variety of plants that are considered weeds and all of them will show up in my yard no matter how hard I tried to eradicate them the year before.

With weed control, the best defense is a good offense. Weeds do not like soil rich in organic matter. Adding compost is one of the best organic ways to stop weed seeds from germinating. Using corn gluten as a pre-emergent is also favored by those who don't like the idea of adding poisons to the landscape. For spot treatments, a combination of 20% vinegar, orange oil, and a dash of dishwashing soap is very effective. Be careful about applying the latter. It can kill almost anything it touches. Of course, just pulling the *@#% invaders up by the roots is also an option. Just try and get to them early because some have roots that seem to be seeking a direct route to the other side of the world. Plus you don't want them to set seed.

Knowing the enemy may not be as effective as some of the things listed above when it comes to getting rid of them. But it does give you a name to add to your expletive of choice when you are in the heat of battle. Here are a few of the most common in our area.



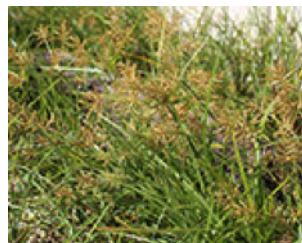
Vetch - Has clinging tendrils and climbs all over other plants making it hard to remove without causing some damage to its host.



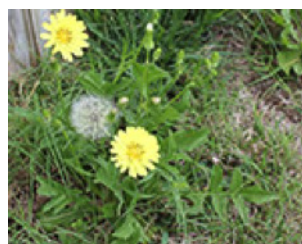
Henbit - Easy to pull but seeds prolifically. When you pull up one of the big plants, you'll find a bunch of little ones hiding underneath and eager to take its place.



Texas Thistle - Probably will need to dig this one out. The root has a tendency to snap off. That means it will just be back to annoy you in a couple of weeks. Use gloves because it is very prickly.



Yellow Nutsedge - You can try to dig this up but, as my grandfather used to say, the only way to really get rid of nutsedge is to move. That said, you can at least let it know it's not welcome in your garden. Although the vinegar spray mentioned above will brown the leaves, it won't touch the roots and the nuts that generate new plants.



Dandelion - Another tap-rooted weed that needs to be dug up. Those fluffy balls that are fun to blow on are actually the plant's seed dispersal system. Think twice before aiding and abetting this activity.

Sendera Garden Club meets on the third Wednesday of each month. If you would like to join us, please call me at 512-940-8430 to find out when and where our next meeting will be held.



Please remember to pick up after your pets and "scoop the poop"

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Oak Pruning and Oak Wilt

By Guy LeBlanc, Certified Arborist

Oak Wilt is a fungal disease that is often fatal to live oaks and red oaks. The disease primarily spreads through root systems from oak to oak. This spread can even occur under driveways and streets, often killing scores of oaks in an area. This has happened in dozens of neighborhoods throughout Austin over the last 40-plus years.

New infection centers can get started through fresh, unprotected wounds above ground. Most of these wounds are caused by severe weather, animals like squirrels and certain birds and insects, and by tree limbs being hit by vehicles or rubbing on things. However, tree pruning also creates wounds.

For years, the Texas Forest Service has said advised the public that pruning oaks at this time of year significantly increases the risk of getting Oak Wilt. "This time of year" has been defined in numerous ways over the years, and currently encompasses February through June. Obviously it is extremely impractical to avoid pruning oaks for nearly half the year when they make up about half the trees in Austin's residential areas. Low limbs pose a threat to safety and increase the risk of Oak Wilt if they are damaged. For this reason, in 2011 the Forest Service met with Certified Arborists from the International Society of Arboriculture to clarify these guidelines. As the arborist who coordinated this meeting, let me offer some details of the revision.

The importance of proper pruning is emphasized. This means retaining all live limbs that are not a safety concern or at risk of rubbing or buildings or even other limbs. If you must prune branches that are at risk of causing injury or damage during this time, make sure to only use arborists that use the proper pruning techniques recommended by the Forest Service (not all so-called arborists do). Most important in this regard is to make proper pruning cuts and paint them immediately. Consult with an I.S.A. Certified Arborist if you are unclear about how to make proper pruning cuts, sometimes referred to as "branch collar" cuts.

A common mistake I see made by homeowners and non-professional tree services is that pruning wounds are not painted immediately (within minutes), and/or only the largest wounds are painted. This is NOT proper technique, and can result in infection. By far the most injurious practice I see is that far, far too many live branches are removed from trees.

Please protect your neighborhood's trees by only hiring competent I.S.A. Certified Arborists to prune your trees during this time of year. I recommend looking for companies that use Certified Arborists to do the actual pruning.

Reprinted from May 2015. Guy LeBlanc owns and operates Arbor Vitae Tree Care, which he established in 1983. In 2012, he was named Texas Arborist of the Year by the Texas A&M Forest Service and the Texas chapter of the I.S.A.

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