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TRAFFIC LIGHT DELAY AT COPANO & DAVIS

On the heels of another traffic accident at Sendera's notorious intersection, residents were informed that the planned traffic light would be delayed. As explained by Scott Feldman, project engineer for the Austin Transportation Department:

"This project has been delayed due to numerous utility conflicts on the corners of the intersection. We are in the process of redesigning the intersection, including re-locating the pedestrian ramps closer to the intersection, which will also address some of the visibility concerns.

We expect to begin construction in July of this year, and plan to have the signal operating prior to the beginning of the school year."

For further information or updates on this project, contact Scott.Feldman@ austintexas.gov or 512-974-6366.

HOA Board News

During the May board meeting, a few changes were made to the committee lineup. A Landscape Committee was established and will be chaired by Pamela Kurburski and co-chaired by Steven Cannella. The newest board member, Sarah Morse, will replace Suzann Vera as the chair of the Recreation Committee.

Suzann Vera has served as Rec Committee chair for many years, and has always done a fantastic job and been a tireless volunteer for this community. A sincere THANK YOU goes out to her as she departs!

Other issues First Service Management is aware of or has resolved for Sendera:

- 1. Broken playground slide at pool? Fixed.
- 2. Dog station located on north side of Davis Lane between Copano and Corran Ferry is not being emptied. Resolved. These are emptied every Monday.
- When will the monthly meeting and annual meeting minutes be uploaded to new website?

 The monthly meeting minutes are approved at the following meeting and posted to the website. Annual meeting minutes are approved at the following annual meeting.
- 4. Why is there no HOA board member info on the new website? Updated but the website is still in progress.
- 5. Pool fence replacement? Bids have been requested and are under review. Expect a progress report in late summer.
- 6. Pool gate handle changed so it opens correctly? Fixed.
- 7. Pool water was looking dirty and lots of debris floating on surface of main pool as well as baby pool. Pool is cleaned MWF nights.

Pool Furniture Replaced

The old pool furniture was replaced in mid-May with sturdier chairs and chaise lounges. The new furniture has comfy, dark blue cushions and should be heavy enough to stay put during a high wind.

Neighborhood Watch

Do you (or perhaps your kids) frequently forget to close the garage door at night? The Neighborhood Watch team will notify you if this is spotted. James Craft is putting together a list of phone numbers for those who would like to be called if something seems out of place in the middle of the night—a car or garage door open, or even a front window with curtains blowing in the breeze. Send an email to senderacrimewatch@gmail.com to get your name on the courtesy call list.

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MAKE A SPLASH THIS SUMMER

The water is waiting for you this summer at the Y – along with all of your favorite group exercise classes, personal training programs and summer enrichment activities for kids. Kick off your day with a splash, cool down post-workout, spend quality time with the family or relieve some stress with a few laps after work. No matter your reason, jump on in!

Join today at AustinYMCA.org



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Website Upgrade In Progress by Duane Galligher

We had a good discussion about the need for dramatic improvement to the website during our board meeting in May. We have made this a priority for First Service during the rest of the year. While we're implementing those upgrades, we're going to create an email newsletter to update our residents on neighborhood activities and developments. As of this newsletter's deadline, we only have a small fraction of email addresses out of all Sendera households. To make sure you receive these newsletters, please go to SenderaHOA. com and request an account. Also, feel free to email our community manager at Stuart.jones@fsresidential.com with any questions or suggestions for updates.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE VIOLET CROWN TRAIL?



The director of the Violet Crown Trail project, George Cofer, provided a construction timeline to keep Sendera residents apprised of the latest progress on the Violet Crown Trail. This ever expanding hike and bike trail is managed by the Hill Country Conservancy (HCC) and connects to the neighborhood via

Sendera Mesa Drive. The next phase involves the land behind Walgreens on Slaughter Lane. According to his email:

- Texas Gas Service has 3-4 more weeks of water testing and inspections with their pipeline boring project near the gas injection facility and the future laydown/storage area for the trail construction. (This has delayed the project for months, according to Mr. Cofer.)
- The +/- 800 foot section just south of Walgreens from Slaughter Lane to the trailhead will be built by hand using HCC's team, not Ranger Excavating. This step is in the planning stage and HCC is notifying the gas companies and neighborhood(s).
- The trailhead area and the trail leading to Slaughter Creek will be built in July/August with Ranger Excavating and HCC crews assisting. HCC is working to obtain "mud boards" to place throughout the approved laydown/storage area as required by the gas companies and to protect their lines. It's likely this protection effort will occur June/July and construction would follow.

SENDERA RECREATION NEWS - JULY 2018

Submitted by Suzann Vera

<u>Goal:</u>

The Sendera Recreation Committee's goal is to provide opportunities for all of our residents to socialize and get to know one another, creating a sense of community and building a safer neighborhood. Volunteers are always needed and welcomed. Please sign up! There is no minimum time commitment; simply help out on the events when your schedule allows.

2018 Events

- July 14th Dive In Movie @ dusk: Jumanji
- August 11th Dive In Movie @ dusk: Pirates of The Caribbean
- October 13th Fall Festival 8:00-10:00 pm
- October- Halloween Decorating Contest
- December- Christmas Decorating Contest

Seeking Co-Chairperson(s):

Those interested in helping our new volunteer Sarah Morse chair the recreation committee should contact Suzann Vera for more information. This summer we are beginning the transition so that the co-chairs have sufficient time to shadow and take on the responsibilities.

The Sendera Recreation Committee chairperson(s) are responsible for planning and implementing neighborhood events with other committee volunteers to promote a sense of community in our neighborhood. One can expect an average of 8-10 hours per month time commitment, not including the actual time to attend events.

Duties include:

- Set agenda and facilitate volunteer meetings 4-6x per year.
- Recruit volunteers for events.
- Review budget and decide which events will be implemented and which will be contracted to a vendor.
- Plan and implement events to accommodate all Sendera residents: singles, families, and seniors.
- Work with the HOA management company and event vendor to set dates.
- Promote all events by posting flyers and information on social media.
- Present committee report at annual HOA meeting.
- Attend events to meet vendors and oversee logistics.
- Submit monthly newsletter event information to newsletter editor.

If interested, contact Suzann Vera at suzannchili@sbcglobal.net or 512-291-0174.

Up to date information can be found between newsletters at:

NextDoor https://senderaaustin.nextdoor.com Facebook Page https://www.facebook.com/SenderaHOA/ Sendera HOA website http://www.senderahoa.com/

IN THE GARDEN

Submitted by Pamela Kurburski



In May, the Sendera Garden Club held its annual Garden Crawl where members visited several gardens in the neighborhood. This year, six very different gardens were on the agenda, two of which we had never visited before. We started in Sendera Place in a lovely shaded garden when texture was on display as well as bright spots of color. The highlight was the mass plantings of Easter lilies in full bloom.

Moving north of Slaughter, we were surprised by a poinsettia whose deep red color made it seem like Christmas even though the temperature was close to 90 degrees. We hopped across Hoffman and enjoyed a vibrant display of sweet peas and larkspur.

The final three gardens were north of Davis where one of our very artistic members had her skills on parade with whimsical garden art and a stunning water feature. Another garden had an extensive collection of succulents. Our final stop took us to one of our newest member's backyard with its tranquil Zen pond and beautiful view of the green belt. She told us that she sees all sorts of wild life from her deck including foxes, coyotes, and herons.

In June, we were invited to visit an amazing garden in Rob Roy. This has been a 20-year project that we all agreed was time and effort well invested. The terraced property had wonderful walking trails and an exciting mix of annuals and native perennials. Even the heat index of 104 degrees didn't dampen our enthusiasm for this beautiful garden.

Sendera Garden Club meets on the third Thursday 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.





NEED HELP? FIND IT ON NEXTDOOR

Are you looking for a reliable babysitter, yard worker, or tutor? The best way to find neighbors for hire is to ask for recommendations on Nextdoor.

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 a free job listing service that is always up-to-date and based on community participation.

The Sendera neighborhood has over 75% participation on Nextdoor, so it is the most efficient way for 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.

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Only two more chances this summer to catch a free movie at our pool! A showing in June of The Incredibles had a nice turnout, plus one game for the adults—Guess The Movie Theme—with a spa treatment as the prize. July 14 will show Jumanji and August 11 will be Pirates of the Caribbean. Mark your calendars and plan to bring the family for some summer fun! Movies begin at dusk, around 9 pm.









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DCCR REVIEW:YARD SIGNS

by Todd Moore

From time to time various articles from our DCCR's (Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions) need some clarification. Section 3.10 "Signs" is a perfect example.

Yard signs are everywhere. We've all seen them, but just because we see them doesn't necessarily mean they are not a violation, nor does it mean the lot owner has not been sent a violation warning. It simply means either the resident followed the covenants and got approval OR they are choosing to ignore the covenants.

Notwithstanding political and real estate signs, most other types of signs are a violation. However, over the years various boards have relaxed a bit by allowing holiday, school spirit, or sports team signs/banners etc. All other signs that don't have approval such as roofing, contractor, window, paint, marketing signs, etc. are a violation, and both the management company and Association are obligated to do its best to enforce all restrictions as set forth in the DCCRs. For fun reading, the Sendera DCCR's and bylaws along with other documentation can be found at www.senderahoa.com.

Article III section 3.10 states:

"No sign of any kind shall be displayed to the public view on any Lot without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee, except for (i) signs which are part of the Declarant's overall marketing or construction plans or activities for the Property and (ii) one (1) sign of not more than five (5) square feet, advertising any property within the Subdivision for sale or rent. All merchandising, advertising and sales programming shall be subject to the approval of the Architectural Committee".

To resolve or get clarification on this or any other restriction, please contact First Service Management.



SUMMER HOME SECURITY TIPS

Ofc. Jeffrey Binder, Austin Police



Summer is the perfect season for road trips, family vacations, barbeques, and other getaways with friends and families. Protect your home from burglary while you are away.

TIPS ON TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIAL MEDIA:

- Don't announce your upcoming travel plans on social networking sites like Facebook and Twitter and refrain from posting "live from" updates during your trip making it clear to anyone paying attention that you're away. Additionally, if you have kids make sure they are mindful of who they tell and what they post.
- If you have an alarm system, make sure it is on.
- If you have a smartphone, there are apps and home security technologies available that let you monitor your home from afar.

TIPS ON ENLISTING OUTSIDE HELP:

- Have a trusted neighbor or family member watch your house.
- Place a stop order on your mail and newspaper delivery.
- Arrange for a neighbor or a family member to pick up any packages or flyers left at your door. Have them put out the garbage if necessary.
- Ask a neighbor to park in your driveway or in front your house periodically to give the appearance of activity at the home.
- Don't allow your lawn to become overgrown while you're out of town as this will also advertise your absence.
- Leave your vacation address and telephone number with a neighbor or family member so you can be reached in case of an emergency.

TIPS BEFORE YOU LEAVE THE HOUSE:

- Use automatic light-switch timers on several lights around the house and on a radio or TV to make your home seem lived-in.
- Don't leave garage door openers in vehicles that will be parked outside while you're gone.
- Before leaving your home, physically check that each and every window and door is closed and locked.



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