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A Quarterly Newsletter of the Ridge at Scofield Farms

Ridge Reporter

Get Involved

We Need You!

We are looking for folks to serve on the neighborhood committees. These committees play important roles in maintaining the value and quality of our neighborhood. Please email board@scofieldridge.org if you would like more information.

Pay Monthly Dues Automatically

Did you know that you can have your monthly dues paid by automatic draft instead of mailing a check each month? Goodwin has a new option on its website to set up an automatic draft online. Simply go to sco.goodwintx.com and click "Sign up for Auto Draft (ACH)" find SCO-Phase VIII HOA on the list, and follow the instructions to complete the process.

Are You In the Group?

Neighbors, be sure to join the Scofield Ridge Yahoo Group. Sign-up is quick and easy! Exchange information, find out about neighborhood events, and hear community news. To join, go to: www.yahogroup.scofieldridge.org

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Upcoming Events

June 9

Ice Cream Social



Ice cream for lunch? Why not? Join your neighbors to kick summer off right with our annual ice cream social. Noon at the pool.

July 7

Summer BBQ

Nothing says Texas like BBQ. Meet up with the neighborhood to partake of everyone's favorite Texas pastime. Noon at the pool.

August 18

Pancakes at the Pool

9 a.m. Shake up your breakfast and enjoy getting to know your neighbors at the Scofield's own flapjack fest.



Pool Opening

The pool opened for the season on April 14. As always, the pool is closed on Wednesday mornings until noon for maintenance. Our lifeguards this summer will be provided through the YMCA of Austin. The YMCA literally "wrote the book" on lifeguarding and swim instruction, and we look forward to working with them to ensure a safe and fun swim season for everyone! For any concerns on pool safety, contact information is in the glass case in front of the pool building entrance. For pool rules or to book a pool party, visit www.scofieldridge.org and click on the Resources tab, or for information about signing up for swim lessons, see the box on page 2.

Maintenance and Safety Committee Changes and Call for Committee Volunteers

The Maintenance and Safety Committee will no longer be visiting homeowners regarding deed restriction violations. The Board would like to shift the focus of the committee to do inspections of the common areas for needed maintenance and promote neighborhood safety. For further information or if you are interested in serving on the Maintenance & Safety Committee, or any other committee, please e-mail us at board@scofieldridge.org. Neighborhood committees play an important role in maintaining our neighborhood, and we need you!

Drought Conditions

Spring is a great time to begin making improvements to your yard and property. Many of our yards are moving into spring time with dead grass, trees, and shrubs, either due to neglect or the drought conditions last summer. You are encouraged to survey your property and take appropriate action to restore your landscaping. If you are considering changing your landscaping to more water-friendly or native plants, remember to submit an ACC application, available at www.scofieldridge.org under the Resources tab. It is your responsibility to maintain the easement between the city street and the sidewalk. Homeowners are required to comply with the deed restrictions by keeping yards mowed and edged, controlling weed growth and replacing dead trees or shrubs. Please do your part by maintaining your property so we can all live in a safe and appealing neighborhood.

Keep an eye on the community signposts and bulletin boards, as well as www.scofieldridge.org and our Yahoo! Group for the latest info on these events and other important issues.

We want to hear from you! If you have any questions or concerns for the Board, please let us know at board@scofieldridge.org

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A Letter From Your Board President

Dear Scofield Ridge Homeowner,

This past years' social events gave us a fun-filled year of food and friendly gatherings with neighbors. From the BBQ to the xeriscape classes, it's wonderful to see everyone coming together to make new friends. We have many more events coming up this summer and we hope you all come out and enjoy the activities and amenities our great community has to offer.

The Board of Directors has been working hard this year lining up some improvements to our common areas to help maintain our neighborhood values and give our community a fresh, clean look. We have already replaced the mesh on top of the pergola at the pool, cleaned up and re-painted the railings on Scofield Ridge Parkway going across the greenbelt, and re-painted all the corner monument sign words. We are currently contracting to finish the sidewalk on Scofield Ridge Parkway east of the Howard Lane turnoff to the end of our crete-fence and to clean up the ditch area there. The rest of the irrigation for the flower beds at the corner monuments will be finished this Spring.

We had a better-than-expected turnout at our annual meeting in April. It's nice to see so many homeowners getting involved. Colette Bonstead was re-elected for the open 3-year position and she will continue to fill the Treasurer role. Jennie Huerta continues to serve as the Vice President and Secretary. The proposed amendment to allow portable basketball goals along the side of the driveway passed and will require an ACC application to have them on your property. They will need to be maintained and kept in good condition. As always, the draft of the annual meeting minutes will be posted on Goodwin's website after they are finalized. If you were unable to attend the meeting, I encourage you to read them to find out what issues and concerns affect our neighborhood.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your Board of Directors or Goodwin Management. We look forward to working with you to improve our community.

Sincerely,

Amanda Young
President

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Sign up for swimming lessons at the Scofield Ridge pool!

This summer, the YMCA will offer swim lessons and water aerobics at our neighborhood pool. Visit www.austinyymca.org to register for children or adult lessons.



Proposed Neighborhood Projects

In keeping with the Board of Directors' commitment to enhance the quality of life and preserve property values throughout our neighborhood, we are exploring some possible construction projects:

- lighted mailbox shelters
- a neighborhood entrance monument on Scofield Ridge Parkway in the median between Mopac and Winwick Way

We are also investigating lighting options for each corner intersection monument. We welcome your input, please send any suggestions or comments to board@scofieldridge.org.

Trash and Recycling Carts

Trash and recycling carts should be placed 5 feet apart and away from mailboxes, cars and other objects.



The trucks that collect trash and recycling are equipped with automatic arms that pick up the carts. The crews can collect materials more safely and efficiently when your recycling cart, trash cart and yard trimmings are placed 5 feet apart from each

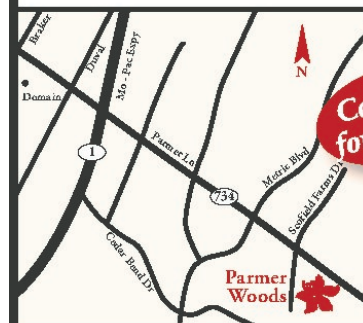
other and from other objects like parked cars. If you don't have room to set your carts 5 feet part, simply set the carts as far apart as possible.

For further information on trash collection such as schedules, guidelines and replacing lost or damaged carts, please visit www.austintexas.gov/departments/residential-curb-side-collection-schedule. ■

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Spring Lime Cooler Cookies

Ingredients:

Cookies

- 2 cups butter or margarine, softened
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 3 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup cornstarch
- 2 tbsp grated lime peel
- 1 tsp vanilla
- Granulated sugar

Lime Glaze and Decoration

- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 2 tbsp Key lime or regular lime juice
- 2 tubes green decorating gel, if desired

Preparation:

Heat oven to 350°F. In large bowl, beat butter and 1 cup powdered sugar with electric mixer on medium speed, or mix with spoon. Stir in flour, cornstarch, lime peel and vanilla until well blended.

Shape dough into 3/4-inch balls. Place about 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Press bottom of glass into dough to grease, then dip into granulated sugar; press on dough balls until 1/4 inch thick.

Bake 9 to 11 minutes or until edges are light golden brown. Remove from cookie sheet to wire rack. Cool completely, about 30 minutes.

In small bowl, stir together 1 cup powdered sugar and the lime juice. Stir in additional juice if necessary. Spread glaze over cookies. Squeeze drops of decorating gel on glazed cookies; drag toothpick through gel for marbled design.

Source: www.bettycrocker.com

