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Dripping Springs Founders Day – One of the Big Events of the Year

The local Founders Day event will be held in downtown Dripping Springs on April 7-9. Included in this year's events will be the big parade on Mercer Street on Friday afternoon/evening.

The parade gets bigger every year. The annual BBQ Cook-Off will be held on Friday afternoon, Saturday all day, and Sunday. There are usually close to 80 cooking teams in this event.

There will be arts and crafts, dances, and contests galore.

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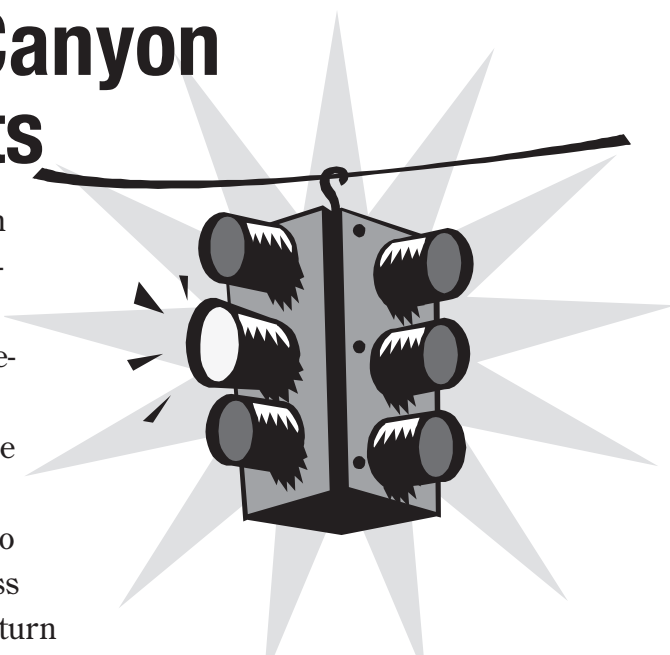
Highway 290 Improvements for Sunset Canyon Residents

The Sunset Canyon Land Owners Association (SCLA) has been in contact with the Precinct 4 Commissioner Russ Molenaar and the Texas Highway District Office Engineer to find out about progress on signals and center turn

lanes for Highway 290. By the time this article appears in our newsletter there may already be progress on these two issues.

For several years our organization and others in the area have requested information and studies on the possibility of getting Highway 290 widened in the areas that are more crowded and that have entrances to local businesses.

Sunset Canyon Baptist Church and its members, along with other organizations in the community, have worked hard to have a traffic signal placed on Highway 290 at Sunset Canyon Drive.



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President's Message

First, I want to thank the members of the SCLA for electing me President of our association for the 2006 year. I will do my best to fulfill the responsibilities of the office.

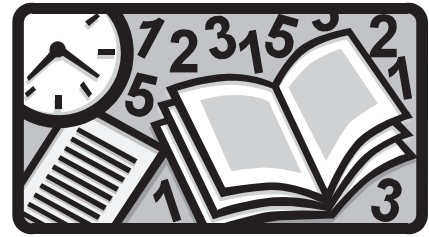
Second, I want to thank all the other officers who agreed to continue serving as well as the new officers who have accepted an office. We hope to have a year that will be interesting for our current members and that will encourage others to join.

Our bargain-basement \$35 yearly membership fee helps our association provide several activities each year. We are already planning a garage sale and a community dinner.

In the past, our association has taken the lead or joined other businesses and organizations in petitioning for such projects as the LCRA water line into Sunset Canyon, sealing/resurfacing our roads, widening Hwy. 290 for the addition of a center turn lane that will service all our entrances, getting a traffic signal at Sunset Canyon Drive (and later at Canyonwood Dr.), and getting entrance lighting.

Your membership in our association is well worth the \$35 fee and benefits every homeowner in the Sunset Canyon subdivision. Contact any of our officers for membership information.

Dave McGlamery



Minutes from Annual Meeting Feb 20th

Gary Hale called the meeting to order and announced officers and committee members. Twenty-seven people were in attendance. Gary discussed the responsibilities of the different officers and committee members and what the homeowners association does for the neighborhood (maintenance, events, etc.)

2006 Officers are:

- David McGlamery was elected president
- Debbie Rothschild will continue as secretary
- Sandy Hale will continue as welcome committee
- Kathryn Cothorn will remain as treasurer
- Kim Hawk will do the newsletter
- Edith Austin will coordinate the garage sale
- Gary Hale will continue as V.P.

There was discussion about putting the newsletter on the website. Gary read Sandy's reports about new homeowners, and Kathryn gave the financial report.

Larry Miller talked about the architectural review process and,

while they can't be enforced, the deed restrictions are noted on the plans. Also said some mortgage companies are starting to require it.

Chris gave an update on the Headwaters development. They are working on getting the utilities in place and will begin construction within 6 months to a year. He answered questions about electric, water, buffer zones, etc.

Pam Robinson from the Sheriff's office came and spoke about crime. She really encouraged

residents to call if we see suspicious characters or loose animals. She said there was construction theft and to be aware of that. The Sheriff's office provides free security surveys.

Greg Mulhollan talked about the Sharp Propane installation in the former Jett Enterprises location, next to Sunset Canyon Pottery on Highway 290. Greg will let us know if there is important info that comes up that we should know about. ●

New in Sunset Canyon?

Free Gift from the Welcome Committee

Are you a new resident of our wonderful Sunset Canyon subdivision? If you are, we want to welcome you and your family with a gift and a welcome packet of information.

The Welcome Committee of SCLA was very busy during 2005. We welcomed 22 new families in Section I (North), 19 families in Section II/III (South), 24 families in Section IV, and 32 families in Section V (West). This was a total of 97 new families in 2005, and we know that we missed several more! We have visited several new ones in 2006 and are looking forward to meeting all our new neighbors.

The Welcome Committee could also use your help. We are always looking for people to join in and

help us with our welcoming activities. If you can help, please call our chairman, Sandy Hale, at 858-5637. If you see new people move in, call and let us know so we can make a visit. If you see a house for sale, let us know so we can watch for new neighbors. We need everyone to help us in this task. The area is too big for us to know every time a new neighbor moves in. Thanks for your help!

The Welcome Committee can always use new helpers in each section. Call Sandy at 858-5637 if you would like to assist in your area. She will provide you with gifts to pass out and all the information packets that you need. ●

Welcome to the Neighborhood!

● Chip & Kari Haymond
201 North Canyonwood Drive

● Ron & Donna Woody
14010 Timberline Trail



The *Canyon Call* is *your* newsletter. We want to hear from you!

Do you know a good babysitter, house- or pet-sitter?

Are you passionate about landscaping, xeriscaping or water conservation?

Are you a closet gourmet with a fantastic recipe we'd love?

Are you an avid gardener with tips to share?

Can you fix anything with duct tape and a two by four?

Are you willing to cook outside whether it's 40 or 110 degrees just because food tastes better that way? (We know you're out there.)

Share your hard-earned expertise or favorite hobby with us.

Tips or catastrophes — we want to hear about it! Email Kim Hawk at kahawk@austin.rr.com with your stories and articles and we'll make you famous (around here, anyway).

Sunset Canyon Garage Sale



The Sunset Canyon Land Owners Association (SCLA) will sponsor an upcoming garage sale for any and all our members or residents of our area. The event is being coordinated by one of our members, Edith Austin (Section V). The date is Saturday, April 22. Set-up is at 7:00 a.m. and the sale will run from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 (approximately). The event will be in the AMM (Auto Body Repair

Business) parking lot on the south side of Highway 290.

The cost for members is \$5.00 and for non-members \$10.00. SCLA will place ads in the Austin and the local papers prior to the event and we will put out garage sale signs on Highway 290 both east and west of the event. All profits are yours!

This has been a very successful event for the past several years. Everyone has had a great time and has made a little extra spending money. Plus you get to clean out your garage and storage sheds to make room for stuff you buy at the next garage sale!

You can get more information and can reserve a prime space by calling Edith Austin at 858-0988. She will help you with any questions.●

Founders Day
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Many food and drink vendors will be in attendance. There is usually a carnival in town for the kids and young at heart. Bring money!

This is a very nice event over a three day period. If you are new to the area you should plan on attending if possible. Everyone has lots of fun. The food is great and there are lots of vendors to visit. Parking is sometimes hard to find if you get there late, so plan on coming early. Parking in the triangle area (Old VFD, New Veteran's Hall) will be available for \$5.00 on a first come basis.

This event has been held for many years and honors the founders of the town of Dripping Springs. It started out small and is now a very BIG event with lots of local people and many visitors attending.●

Canyon Cookin'

We love meatloaf at my house. We *don't* like firing up the oven for an hour or so during hot weather. So after much bargaining, I managed to get my husband, Chris, to share his meatloaf recipe. And, naturally, this being Sunset Canyon, it's cooked on the grill — and not to be missed.

Enjoy!

—Kim Hawk Covatta

Chris & Kim's Meatloaf on the Grill

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 lb. ground beef
- 2 uncooked brats removed from casings
OR 1/2 lb. pork sausage
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 C. bread crumbs
- 1/4 C. ketchup
- 1 1/2 t. Fiesta Steak Seasoning
- 1/2 t. black pepper

Combine all ingredients and shape into a loaf on a disposable aluminum pan or two sheets (one on top of the other) of aluminum foil.

Grill over indirect medium heat for 60 minutes using 2 handfuls of soaked hickory chips. Let set 15 minutes before slicing.

Note: This is even better the next day for sandwiches!



Vandalism in Sunset Canyon

It was recently reported that there was a possible break-in and some property damage to a home in Sunset Canyon V (West). The Sheriff's office has been notified and an investigation has been made. It is not known if any property was taken from the home. Area residents are being asked to report to the Sheriff any knowledge of the act or any other acts of this type in our area.

Several times in the past year we have had trouble with mailboxes being damaged or destroyed by vandals. This has occurred on Hidden Hills Drive and on Sunset Canyon Drive South and possibly other streets. If you have had problems with damage please report it each time and get an investigation done. We can ask for additional patrols in our subdivision if needed.

Our association (SCLA) has a very good working relationship with the Hays County Sheriff's Department and the Crime Control Unit. The officers attend our meetings and activities, and they come to our Neighborhood Night Out parties in August. We are very fortunate to have an excellent and

experienced Sheriff and many dedicated deputies that patrol our roads and neighborhoods.

Major crime in Sunset Canyon has been very limited for the past 20-plus years. As more people move to our area and as it gets

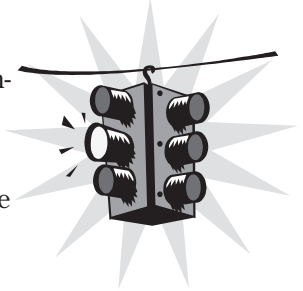


more and more populated we will continue to experience some minor increases in vandalism and some minor property crimes. Neighbors watching out for each other are our greatest asset in fighting these types of crime. Meet your neighbors and watch for strangers. Call the sheriff's office and report any suspicious activities.

Do your part in helping to keep Sunset Canyon a great place to live and raise our children and families. ●

Highway 290 Improvements continued from page 1

It now appears that Highway 290 will be widened with a center turn lane for about 1.6 miles through the Sunset



Canyon subdivision area. It is our understanding that the lane will be about .6 miles east from Trautwein Road to the Center Lake Business Park and about 1.0 mile west of Trautwein Road to an area past Canyonwood Drive.

In addition to the turn lane, a traffic light is to be placed at the intersection of Highway 290 and Sunset Canyon Drive. This will be of great value to those of you who have trouble turning out of our Section I and Section II/III (South) entrances. The turn lane will greatly assist those people who turn left into existing roads and businesses in this area.

These improvements will cause some problems initially because of the construction. We ask that all our residents drive safely in construction zones. The traffic light and others that may follow will possibly slow the trip to and from Austin for our residents, however they may save our lives and the lives of our children and other family members. ●

In Brief

Upcoming Events

● Austin City Academy's Egg-celent Easter Egg Hunt & Party for kids ages 1 – 10 and their parents. Easter egg hunt, crafts, booths, prizes, storytelling and more

When: Saturday April 15, 2006
10 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Where: Our school's future location on 290 next to the Polo Tennis Club. Look for the signs!

For additional information contact 288-4883.

● Friends of the Library's 2006 Pond and Garden Tour, "Backyard Paradise".

When: Saturday, April 29 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Advance Tickets \$12 or \$15 on tour day

View 6 private residential gardens with glorious landscaping, gardens, ponds and pools.

Special events at the Library as well including Bluebonnet Book Fair, raffle of a wheelbarrow filled with gardening goodies, baked cookie sale. All proceeds benefit the Dripping Springs Community Library

For additional information contact 858-7825

Propane Gas

AmeriGas Propane offers all current SCLA members the price

of \$0.60 over cost per gallon (lowest in the area). AmeriGas also offers a tank lease program for \$77.94 (tax included) per year with no installation charges.

Interested? Want more information? Contact Wendi Weekley at 858-1144.

Deed Restrictions 101

Each section in Sunset Canyon (1-5) has its own set of deed restriction. Certain lots in Sunset Canyon also have an addendum to the original deed restrictions.

Coming in 2006... Sunset Canyon deed restrictions will be available online. To request a copy of the original paperwork, please send an email to: info@sunsetcanyon.org.

SCLA Membership Status

In the lower right corner of your newsletter mailing label, the date shown indicates when you last paid your annual dues.

If no date is listed, the association records indicate that you have not joined the SCLA since the time the date tracking feature was implemented a few years ago.

Mt. Olive MOPS

Attention Moms! Do you need a break? Want to connect with other

Moms? If you answered "YES!", you are cordially invited to the next Mt. Olive MOPS meeting on Tues., April 4 from 9:30 to noon at the Mt. Olive Lutheran Church on Hwy 290. MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) is a Christian based organization designed to nurture every mother of preschoolers. Childcare is available (please call ahead since spaces are limited). The initial meeting is FREE. For more information, please contact Kathryn Cothorn at 858-1477.

Important Numbers

Hays Co. Sheriff**512-393-7896**

Northern Hays Co.
Volunteer Fire Dept. **512-858-5451**

Poison Control**800-222-1222**

D.S. City Hall**512-858-4725**

D.S. Chamber of
Commerce**512-858-4740**

D.S. Community
Library**512-858-7825**

D.S. Independent
School District**512-858-4904**

If you provide a service such as lawn care, babysitting, house sitting or pet sitting and would like to be listed here, please email Kim at kahawk@austin.rr.com.

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Sunset Canyon Land Owners Association 2006 Membership Form

Please mail form and \$35 check (payable to SCLA) to: **SCLA, P.O.Box 588, Dripping Springs, TX 78620**

Name: _____ Address: _____
 City/Sip (if not D.S.) _____ Section #: _____ Lot #(s): _____

New Resident? Would you like to be included in the "new Neighbor: section of the next newsletter? Yes No

Home Phone _____	Publish in Directory?
Cell Phone _____	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
E-mail _____	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

Child(ren)	Age	DOB (mm/dd/yy)

PLEASE CONTACT ME ABOUT THE FOLLOWING:

- | | |
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<input type="radio"/> Serving as an SCLA Committee Member | <input type="radio"/> Helping with Community Events
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