

# RIDGE RUNNER

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## CORNER GETS CLEANED AFTER 30 YEARS



New World Before Clean Up and Signage



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### President's Corner

Good things are happening in Miller's Ridge. For those who didn't attend, your January MRNA General Meeting, you missed out on a great meeting as we had Commissioner Tommy Adkisson and his Assistant Mario Llano pay us a "Surprise Visit" to inform us of the many new things that is going on in our area.

We have been working with our county Commissioner, Tommy Adkisson about getting better lighting and more traffic lights in our area. Commissioner Adkisson announced that he has found funding to install a Traffic Light with Street Lights at the intersection of New Word and Miller Road. He stated that it would be complete by November 2009. This new traffic light should reduce the amount of traffic that uses Miller's Ridge, which is a much narrower street. We are also working on getting speed bumps in this area.

After many calls to Bexar County Co – Compliance, Carol Gilg and my wife, Billie Hunt made a special effort to get the corner property on New World cleaned up, they met with the Commissioner in November at the New World sight to show him how dangerous and unsightly it was. He immediately had the county clean it up and charged the owner for the cost. The county also installed new safety signage along this area. (See pictures above)

These are things that are in the works for the future! Come on out on March 9th, 2009 MRNA General Meeting and see what you too, can do to make good things happen in Miller's Ridge. Remember any Board Member can pick up your \$30.00 MRNA Membership dues for 2009, just give them a call.

*Barry Hunt*

President M.R.N.A.

## Spring 2009 Calendar Of Events

### JANUARY

This is the month to contact your State Representative to file or co- sponsor a bill to provide Street Lights and Mandatory Garbage Pick Up in residential housing areas of Bexar County.

Contact:

Joe Straus –State Representative Dist.121  
7373 Broadway Suite 202 A  
San Antonio, Texas 78229  
210-828-4411

Judith Zaffirini Sate Senator Dist. 21  
12702 Toepperwein Road Suite 214  
San Antonio, Texas 78233  
210-657-0095

These are much needed necessities for our community.

### MARCH

MRNA General Meeting - Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 7:30 pm  
Summit Ridge Community Center at 7460 Kitty Hawk

MRNA SPRING GARAGE SALE - Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 8 to 5  
Spring Clean and make some Green! We will advertise in the Express Newspaper for this event. Plan to participate.

MRNA FIX UP YOUR FENCE WEEKEND – Sat. & Sun. March 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>  
What a great time to visit with your neighbor about the state of your joint owned Fence and FIX IT UP! This is also a great time to look over the state of your mailbox and post or masonry to see if it needs repairing, repainting or replaced.

### APRIL

MRNA General Meeting – Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 7:30 pm  
Summit Ridge Community Center at 7460 Kitty Hawk

MRNA DUMP YOUR JUNK - Sat. & Sun. April 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
This is the time to clean up the yard, remove old fence boards, trim your trees and clean out the garage to make your unlimited deposits. This is the event that so many look forward to. You can make your wife and your neighbors happy at the same time. To- Go BAR B Q PLATES will be available at this event on Saturday only. Tickets will be available for pre-sale only and will be available April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 and can be bought from any Board member. This will be our Spring Fund-raiser. (More info next Ridge Runner)

## CELLULAR ON PATROL

We have several members that have been patrolling mornings, afternoons and at different hours of the night. We do report anything that looks suspicious as we are the "Eyes and Ears" of the neighborhood.

There have been people parking their cars and trucks on sidewalks. This is Obstructing Public Walkways and Bexar County does enforce their Laws against this. They have been giving out citations for parking on sidewalks as; it puts people in danger by having to walk into the street to get around the obstruction. Should someone become injured from an obstruction the owner of the vehicle, bicycle, basketball pole, etc. is the one who will have to take the liability of the injuries. We have been asked to publicize this information by a Bexar County Officer.

We have noticed that more homes have their porch lights on at night. Please turn those lights on as they cost only pennies a night and really add protection to your home.

**REMEMBER.....TOO PLAN!**

**Turn On Outside Porch Lights At Night**

There has been several phone calls about loud voices and people screaming at children being heard outside the home. They have been instructed to call the Bexar County Sheriff's Department at 210-335-6000 to report it. This noise is Disturbing the Peace in this Neighborhood and could be a sign of domestic or child abuse.

There have been many phone calls about homes with 5 or 6 dogs living in a single home. In the COVENANTS, CONDITIONS & RESTRICTIONS of the Miller's Ridge Subdivision it states:  
22. No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any lot, except that no more than two dogs, two cats and/or two other household pets may be kept provided that they are not kept, bred or maintained for commercial purposes. These COVENANTS, CONDITIONS & RESTRICTIONS were extended for 30 more years and are in force.

*They are enforceable by Bexar County whether you own, lease or rent.*

There have been many phone calls about Pit Bull Dogs running loose in this neighborhood. They have been instructed to call Bexar County Animal Control at 210-207-6650.

If anyone sees someone with the intent to paint (GRAFFITI) or disfigure the MR Marquee or other property, please report to the Bexar County Sheriff's Department@ 210-335-6000. This is criminal activity and will be reported for investigation and prosecution. Bexar County does have a curfew of 11:00 pm for anyone 17 and under that is out without adult supervision.

Any one that wishes to volunteer to take the COP Team Leader position, please come and volunteer at the March MRNA General Meeting. We plan to have someone there from the Bexar County COPS . This is a program that we don't want our Neighborhood to be without.

Special "Thanks" to all that are patrolling and making our Neighborhood a safer place to live.

## SPECIAL NOTICE

There have been many calls of complaints of Trash Cans, Bar-B-Q Grills, Mops, Junk, Trash and things of this nature being kept in front yards; these items should be kept behind your fence and out of public view. MRNA has sent out letters in November and December about trash cans and junk in public view. Your neighbors don't enjoy looking at your stuff, they can call co-compliance at 210-335-6000 then they send out an officer about removal. Bexar County is issuing citations for this type of Eyesores in our community. Eyesores of this nature lower the value of your home and others in our community.

They will also send out an officer for high grass that needs mowing as it becomes a haven for snakes and rodents.

If you see a car that has an expired sticker or plate, or can't be driven and moved in 24 hours, it will be towed away, if not moved, that is the law. Call Bexar County Non-Emergency Number 210-335-6000

## STREET CAPTAINS

Stanley Thomas is our Team Captain and is in need of a street captain for Dunstable to deliver newsletters and help with 2009 Membership Drive. Please call and volunteer @599-0901. Special thanks to Stanley and all who are Street Captains, as they are the ones delivering this Newsletter to your home.

## HELPING HANDS PROJECT

### SPECIAL NOTICE TO SENIORS 65 over and or DISABLED

If your yard is in need of mowing and edging and you can't or don't have the means for a company to provide this service Call Our Helping Hands Team, they will mow your front yard free for the first time and will maintain your front yard for a small fee of \$20.00 for each cut and edge after that.

Call: Stan Thomas @599-0901

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