

# RIDGE RUNNER

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## President's Corner

Good things are happening in Miller's Ridge. For those who didn't attend, your March MRNA General Meeting, you missed out on an important meeting as we discussed the destiny of the MR Marquee.

It is so good to drive by and see so many of you working on the up keep of your homes and out working in the yard making your home give your street great curb appeal. As you may have noticed there are several more new subdivisions going in around us and this can add value to our homes or take away, depending on how we maintain this subdivision. I received an analysis from the Bexar County Tax Appraisers Office and there have been homes Sold in the original Miller's Ridge Neighborhood as high as \$185,000.00 in 2008. This is good news!

Please put this News Letter in a safe place so that you can refer back to the Calendar of Events. Come out on April 14th, 2009 MRNA General Meeting and see what you too, can do to make good things happen in your sub-division.

Your MRNA Board is working for you. Are you working with them? Are you giving your support by attending General Meetings and getting involved?

I want to offer a "Special Thanks" to Stanley Thomas, Rachael Pose and Michele Steele for the wonderful job they are doing on the up – keep on the planter and the MR Marquee grounds.

Don't forget to buy your tickets in advance for the Annual Bar-B-Q Plate Fundraiser. We are having B G's Catering provide the food and they are members of our MRNA and live here in Miller's Ridge. This is a great cause as this a very needed Fund -Raiser for MRNA to provide up keep on the Entrance Marquee in your neighborhood.

*Barry Hunt*

President M.R.N.A.

## SPRING MRNA GARAGE SALE

Another success story even though the weather wasn't the best.

## Spring 2009 Calendar Of Events

### MARCH

2009 MRNA \$30.00 Dues are now due for those who have not paid for your household.

MRNA FIX UP YOUR FENCE WEEKEND – Sat. & Sun. March 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>

This is 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

Topic – "The Future of the Miller's Ridge Neighborhood Association" Will it become a Dinosaur? "The Destiny of the Marquee"

*What part do you play in this neighborhood? Have you stepped up to the plate? Will your neighborhood be taken over by Gangs, Drugs, Thieves, Graffiti, Overgrown lots, Trashed out yards, Vacant Houses, Falling Down Fences, Vicious Dogs and Cats, Home Intrusions, etc.?*

*Do you make excuses like: "I lost my newsletter, "I didn't see the sign in time", "The sign on my street didn't get put out in time", "I was tired", for not attending your neighborhood meetings that are always on the second Tuesday of the month, in the months that are scheduled for meetings.*

*Your MRNA Board is dedicated and is always there. Where are you? Newsletters and signs are great if we have people to get them out. Will you make a commitment to being at the April General Meeting to make your neighborhood a better place to live?*

Meeting held at Summit Ridge Community Center at 7460 Kitty Hawk

MRNA DUMP YOUR JUNK - Sat. & Sun. April 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009

BAR-B-Q FUNDRAISER – Pre Sale Plates \$7.00

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.

DUMP YOUR JUNK – MEMBERS ONLY

To - Go BAR B Q PLATES will be available on Saturday only from 11:00am to 1:30 p.m. 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 for \$7.00 per plate. Each plate will have Bar B Q Brisket and Sausage with Pinto Beans and Potato Salad. This will be our Spring Fund-raiser so please support the work your Neighborhood Association is doing for the betterment of your community.

## CELLULAR ON PATROL

We have had numerous complaints of teens going through neighbors cars and vandalizing them. This activity has been reported to the Bexar County Sheriffs Office and they are patrolling and on the look out for this type of activity. 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. If you see anyone destroying anyone's property call:

*Bexar County Non –Emergency Number 210-335-6000.*

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 have been several phone calls about loud voices and people screaming at children being heard outside the home. They have been instructed to call :

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. There has been one child mauled by a Pit Bull last month and the dog was taken in. We have been instructed to call Bexar County Animal Control at 210-207-6650 to have the dog picked up if it is out and loose.

If anyone sees someone with the intent to paint (GRAFFITI) or disfigure the MR Marquee or other property, please call:  
*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 volunteer at the April MRNA General Meeting. 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 and crime free 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 been sending out letters 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. (PUT YOUR JUNK BEHIND YOUR FENCE)

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

We in need of several Street Captains to deliver newsletters and help with 2009 Membership Drive. Please call and volunteer @ 887-6009. Special thanks to 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: StanThomas@599-0901

## Board Members 2008-2009

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