



# The Costa Mirada Sun

Costa Mirada Apartment Homes  
9323 Somerset Rd. San Antonio, TX 78211

Dear Residents,

The After School Program has started! If you have not enrolled your child, please come by and complete a registration form. This is a free service for children from K – 5<sup>th</sup> grade. This program is available Monday through Thursday to help your child with their homework. Our goal is to help your children succeed in obtaining good grades. After homework, we do provide a snack and then an enriching activity. Parents are always welcome to come and see the curriculum that is being offered. If you would like to volunteer, please call me at 210/923-1692.

National Night Out is Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM. Bring your family to enjoy the food, music and games. Last year’s event was a lot of fun. The Costa Mirada staff has been working hard to make this year’s event even bigger and better, so don’t miss out. We will not be having the After School program that day in order to set up the event. If you would like to help, please call the office and let them know.

Pot luck lunch is a great time to come out of your apartments and meet your neighbors. Have a great lunch with the staff and your neighbors. This month’s pot luck lunch theme is Halloween. Dig up those Halloween dishes and snacks for an hour of fun and laughter. Come show us your spooky desserts, snacks or favorite dish!

Thanks, —Ms. Lisa

## October 2011

### First Friday Pot Luck

**TIME:** 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

**DATE:** Friday, October 7

**WHERE:** Community Room

Join us for a Halloween pot luck lunch. Make your favorite scary snacks or treats and share with your fellow neighbor. It’s a nice way to pick up some new Halloween recipes!

### Fitness Room Tour

**TIME:** 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

**DATE:** Fridays, October 14, 21, and 28

**WHERE:** Community Fitness Room

Want to learn how to use the equipment? Come join me on Friday morning and let’s exercise.

### Computer Class

**TIME:** 1:30 PM – 2:30 P M

**DATE:** Wednesdays in October

**WHERE:** Business Center

Want help with setting up a email address? Want to learn the basics of a computer? Call me to reserve a seat!

Resident Services at this property are provided by:

### National Night Out (NNO)

**TIME:** 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

**DATE:** Tuesday, October 4

**WHERE:** Pool Area

Come out to celebrate NNO with music, games and food. This is also a good way to meet your neighbors.

### After School Program

**TIME:** 3:00PM – 4:30PM

**DATE:** Monday - Thursday

**WHERE:** Children’s Activity Room

Please come by and pick up forms to register your child for the After School Program. This is a free service.

### RESIDENT SERVICES OFFICE INFORMATION:

Elisa Beckmann, Resident Services Coordinator

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday—Thursday 1:30 PM to 5:30 PM & Friday 9:00 AM–1:00 PM

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# Merced's Military Minute



This section of our newsletter provides information about services especially available to our military residents and their families. For more information on these and other resources, please contact Elisa Beckmann, Resident Services Coordinator for Merced Housing Texas at Costa Mirada Apartments 210/923-1692.

## Operation Homefront

Assistance is available to military families in coping with deployment and injury recovery as they struggle with devastating budget issues. We provide emergency financial assistance to service members and their families as they take corrective action to resolve their financial situations.

For more information, call 210/659-8039.

Operation Homefront may help with:

- Shelter, rent, mortgage, utilities, temporary lodging
- Vehicle expenses, car payments, car insurance, registration (only when it is the family's only means of transportation)
- Airfare to transport a family member to assist a military family during illness or for childbirth
- Childcare during illness or surgery
- Personal Property Taxes
- Emergency dental expenses
- Critical baby items
- Other emergency financial needs

## Poetry Slam: Stand. Speak. Listen.

**Date:** Saturday, November 5

**Time:** 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

**Where:** Fort Sam Houston, Stanley Road, Building 2797

**Cost:** FREE

Share your poetry or listen to your fellow servicemen and women. There will be free food and a DJ. The poetry competition prizes are: \$100 for first place, \$75 for second place, and \$50 for third place. Adults only, no children under 18. Call 210/221-2055 to register or for more information.

## Free Child Car Seats for Qualifying Military Families

Call 210/221-0349 to schedule an appointment at the Children's Clinic. At the appointment, your child's measurements will be taken to help provide you with the most appropriate car seat for your child.

## Veteran Justice Outreach Program

Veterans who are self medicating may become legally compromised. If you are a veteran and have a misdemeanor pending, call 210/533-2577. Ask about the special support you can receive to help access treatment.