Hello Members! Here's the latest SARR news.

Spring Forward. Who knew you needed snowshoes to run in Texas? Glad that's over with. Bring on spring. Registration is now open for our **Spring Pick Up the Pace Training Program**. We can help you get faster so you will be ready when our in-person races return. Register <u>HERE</u>.

Giving Back. As part of the community, SARR enjoys giving back locally to help others. Your club recently donated to Street2Feet, Ainsley's Angels, and local food pantries through St. Vincent de Paul. Your participation in SARR helps us support these great organizations.

Giving Back Some More. SARR often participates in local efforts to keep our trails and parks clean. We have an opportunity for you to help with our **Adopt A Trail** program. On March 21st at Walker Ranch Park we will be cleaning up part of the Salado Creek Trail. Signup to help <u>HERE</u>.

Send in Your Nominations. We are now accepting nominations for the June election of the following SARR Board positions: *President, VP Membership*, and *Director of Racing*. I have decided to not seek another term as president. I've been on the Board for the last 10 years in various roles and it's time for me to take a break. Also, Lauretta will not be going for another term as VP of Membership. I know there are some great candidates out there with fresh ideas to continue with all the great work from the almost 50 years this club has been around. You can nominate someone (or yourself) <u>HERE</u>.

Announcing our New Awards. We are also taking nominations for our annual awards. This year, in addition to *RoadRunner of the Year*, we have added some new categories. The *Newcomer of the Year* award is for someone who joined within the last 12 months and jumped right in through participation and volunteering. The *Comeback of the Year* award is for a member who has been injured but made it back to participate in SARR activities. The *Inspiration of the Year* award is for a member who has done something to inspire others around the sport of running. Know some good candidates for these awards? Please nominate them <u>HERE</u>.

We're On a Mission. The SARR Virtual Mission 5K/10K will be held in April. Hey, check out all the swag that comes with your registration: Sport-Tek Tee, Fiesta Medal, Printable Pre-Race Bib, SARR Logo Limited Edition face mask, and Mission Run Cap. Great stuff! Plus, members get a 25% discount through 3/14. Register <u>HERE</u>.

The Force is Strong. Summon your inner power at the **SARR Virtual May the 4th Be With You Run**. Get your geek on for this fan created holiday! Pictures of the awesome race shirt are coming soon. Registration is now open <u>HERE</u> and members get a 25% discount through 4/4.

Make It Count. SARR is looking to add a few members to our Finance Committee. This committee meets a few hours every other month to review and audit our accounts. If you are interested or want more info, please contact treasurer@saroadrunners.com.

Running Down the Aisle. My oldest daughter is getting married this weekend. Time flies. It seems like only yesterday I was trying to talk her into being a runner. It didn't work out. When she was born, I thought for sure she would be headed to college on a track scholarship. I love running so surely she would to, right? It doesn't work that way.

I tried getting her involved in anything even remotely related to running. I signed her up for soccer, basketball, volleyball, dance, and softball. I was going to save running for high school. I figured I would get her involved in different sports then casually suggest cross-country when she hit high school. But, by the time she made it to middle school, we both knew that sports weren't going to be her thing.

I asked her one day, "You don't like to run, you don't like to kick a ball, or hit a ball, or shoot a ball, just what do you like to do?" She replied, "I like to argue, Dad." I couldn't disagree with that, she certainly did. "Well what good is that going to do for you?", I retorted.

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Today, she is a very successful attorney. I guess she really did know what she was good at. I'm glad she didn't listen to me. I'm looking forward to the wedding and I promised her I would walk her down the aisle, not run.

Who knows, maybe this running thing skips generations. I'm sure my grandkids will be runners, right?

-Scott President, SARR (for a few more months)