



Lakeway Newcomers

June 2021 Newsletter



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President's Message

Greetings fellow Newcomers,

I really miss seeing you all, and I'm hopeful our time of being apart will end very soon! Please be sure to read the activity announcements in this month's newsletter – especially the "save the date" notice for our jointly hosted event at Music Hill Ranch with our sister organization, the Newcomers Alumni.

The Newcomers social team will be scheduling *Summer Socials* beginning in July. These small group socials held in member homes will be monthly happy hours from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. 10 to 12 people will be able to participate at each home location. Attendees will BYOB and will also bring an appetizer to share. Thus, the hosts will not be required to supply food or beverages for the attendees. A lottery system will be used to identify who goes to which home. Stay tuned for the June *Summer Social* invitation announcement.

We hope to see you at Music Hill Ranch on June 17. 🎵 🎹 🎵

Your Newcomers President,

Joan Peterson

Save the date!

Special Member Event

for Lakeway Newcomers and Newcomers Alumni

Thursday, June 17, 2021

Save the date!

Music Hill Ranch

16129 Navajo (off Flint Rock Road) Lakeway

Time: 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Caterer: Maggiano's

Music by: Honeybee Jazz Trio

Cost: to be announced soon

BYOB / water supplied

Parking space is very limited. We are asking everyone to carpool to ensure there is enough parking spaces for all attendees.

Lakeway Newcomers and Newcomers Alumni invite our members to attend a lovely evening of renewed socialization with your Newcomers friends on the grounds of the Music Hill Ranch.

In addition to live music, there will be an art display by Wiley Ross and 13 other Texas artists.



Full details about this event, along with the process for registration, will be sent out to all Lakeway Newcomers and Alumni members later this week.

Activities

Out-to-Lunch

We had a great turnout for the May lunch outing. It was so good to be able to see our friends again!

June's lunch will be at 11:30 on Thursday, June 10 at the Lakeway Grove Wine Bar & Kitchen at 3001 Ranch Rd 620 S. More space has been reserved for this month's lunch as we anticipate a larger group. Men are encouraged to join us. Last month we had two men attend!

Please RSVP to Renea Bergan at rbergan55@gmail.com by **Monday, June 7** to attend this Out-to-Lunch event.

Group Chair: Renea Bergan

Cinema Group



For the past year, the Cinema Group has continued to meet each month via Zoom. The group has been selecting two to three films to watch, and participants have been watching these films on their own using online streaming services. On the fourth Friday of each month, all participants meet as a group to discuss and rate that month's selected movies.

In June, the group will be resuming in-person meetings -- where once again we can enjoy the appetizers, desserts, and beverages that each attendee brings to share during the social time. The host of each meeting will set the attendance capacity for their home. Once the home's capacity has been reached for a given meeting, a wait-list will be started.

To be placed on the group's mailing list, email Faith Stevens at faithstevens@gmail.com.

Group co-Chairs: Don and Faith Stevens

More Activities

Bunco-for-All



We are looking for one or two members to chair or co-chair a new Bunco group format that we are calling *Bunco-for-All*. Unlike the previous Bunco group format, the new group will cater to both couples and singles. We would like to start this new group in the fall.

Concerns were raised about the previous Bunco hosting format that significantly restricted the number of members who could participate. There was always a waiting list due to the large number of people that wanted to join in the fun. So, the new format will include having more than just one host home, with eight to twelve people participating at each host home.

If you would like to lead the implementation of the new *Bunco-for-All* as its Committee Chair, please contact Joan Peterson at kejcp@msn.com.

Dining Out



Dining Out activities commenced in May and will continue through July. The next cycle will begin in September and end in December. New participants are welcome to join the fall cycle. Solicitation for the fall cycle will occur in late July.

Please contact Ed Hermann at hermannep@gmail.com if you have questions about the Dining Out group.

Group Chair: Ed Hermann



Newcomers Golfing News

We had an excellent response to the Golf Activity Committee's announcement in last month's newsletter -- with more than 20 members expressing their interest in joining the Newcomers' 9-hole scramble golfing group! Tom and John are meeting with the Golf Club Manager to determine the costs for both Lakeway Golf Club members and non-members, and to identify date alternatives for our first outing.

If you replied to Tom and John via email, they have put you on the mailing list, and they will be reaching out to you once the plans have been finalized with the golf course management. If there are others who are interested in joining this group who have not yet replied, it's not too late. Just send an email to both addresses below. We are looking forward to organizing and holding our first fun outing to be held at either the Live Oak or the Yaupon course within the next few weeks.

Tom Cain, Co-Chair, tom@thomasgcain.com

John Bergan, Co-Chair, johnberg3737@gmail.com

New Activity Group Coming

WINE APPRECIATION AND EDUCATION

This new activity group is targeted at members who are interested in learning about and exploring the Texas Hill Country Wine Region.

- The group will initially meet 4 times during the Newcomers' calendar year on a weekday.
- Participating Lakeway Newcomers will visit local wineries for tastings that include wine and winery education.
- Wine tastings will be led by the winery's personnel.
- Participating members will be responsible for their own transportation and carpooling will be encouraged.
- The group's chairpersons will explore the availability of cheese pairings and/or food options for each outing.
- Costs for each event will be the individual responsibility of the participating member and will be collected prior to the event.
- The target fee for events will be around \$25 per person.
- Initially, the attendance for each event will be limited to the first 30 members who send in their event payment.
- A date during the last week of September 2021 is being considered for the first kick-off event.

If you would like to be placed on the mailing list for this newly forming Lakeway Newcomers activity group, please email both co-Chairs, Scott Westphal and Bruce Bauman, at their email addresses below.

Bruce Bauman, Co-Chair, bmilehighman@hotmail.com

Scott Westphal, Co-Chair, westphalscott@gmail.com

Membership

The membership form for new members and for renewing members can be printed from the *Membership* link on our website located at: Lakewaynewcomers.com

If you had information changes (e.g., email, phone number, address changes), or you have questions about joining or renewing, please contact *Jim Filas* at: lakewaynewcomers2020@gmail.com or (512) 660-8637

Please Welcome our New Members

Christopher & Christina Covington
402 Black Wolf Run
From San Francisco, CA

Christie & Andy Kimse
38 Wingreen Loop
From Napa, CA

Steve Guty & Jennifer Windau
306 Sweet Grass Ln
From Redmond, WA

John & Barbara Staiger
113 Blue Lake Cove
From Dallas, TX



Sally Baldwin
1700 Buffalo Gap Rd.
From Kula, Hawaii

Betty & Bob Ricks
415 Belforte Ave
From Pacific Grove, CA

W David Ness & Christie Graves
103 Salinas Cove
From Lubbock, TX

Member Support



Do you know a member, who is seriously ill, hospitalized, injured, or has had a death in the family? If so, please call [Pat Younger](tel:7138166477) at (713) 816-6477 or e-mail her at youngerpat@aol.com so that our club's support can be shared with a card, by your prayers, or other forms of caring.

This past month, cards from Newcomers were sent to:

John Picanso



For Newcomers Club news information, including the current and archived newsletters, check the club website at: Lakewaynewcomers.com

The website-protected areas include the membership directory. To access the protected areas, use your assigned password. If you do not remember your logon information, please email Robert Levey at: rlevey01@gmail.com



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