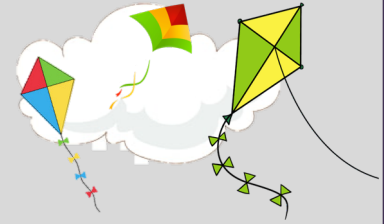




# Lakeway Newcomers

## March 2022 Newsletter



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### President's Message

Greetings fellow Newcomers

As we eagerly await an all clear from any late-arriving February deep freezes (knock on wood) and, hopefully, are now heading into a delightful spring -- your social committee is busily working on getting us back to socializing safely, once again. We temporarily paused some events for February due to the COVID Omicron surge, but the situation appears to be improving within Travis County.

Many ideas for club social gatherings are under consideration for the upcoming year. This is in addition to our popular on-going activities such as Dining Out, Out-to-Lunch, and Cinema Group. For those who have signed up to attend the upcoming March social on the patio at Shore Raw Bar & Grill, I look forward to seeing you there on March 10.

Be sure to mark April 14 on your calendar for a fun-filled event that will soon be announced. A special announcement will be coming around mid-March. As always, be on the lookout for emails from Lakeway Newcomers that provide timely information about our activities.

Here's to a fun-filled 2022!

*Jim Filas*

# Activities

## Out-to-Lunch



Let's enjoy the beginning of spring in Central Texas by going out to lunch! Our March lunch event will be at **Chisos Grill** located at The Hill Country Galleria on **Thursday, March 17 at 11:30**. Our luncheons are for all Newcomers (men, women, singles and couples).

Please RSVP to Renea Bergan at [rbergan55@gmail.com](mailto:rbergan55@gmail.com) before Tuesday, March 15 if you would like to join us!

Chair: Renea Bergan

## Cinema Group



Each month, the group selects three films that participants will watch on their own. On the fourth Friday of each month, we meet as a group to discuss and rate that month's pre-selected movies. Group members who register to attend an *in-home* monthly meeting are required to see **at least one** of the movies being reviewed by the group.

Attendees will bring an appetizer or dessert to share in addition to bringing their own beverage of choice. There is a social time at 7:00 with the movie discussion beginning at 7:30. A short social break occurs between the discussion and regrouping for the initial nominations of the next month's movies. The movie selections will include a mix of in-theater and video streaming options.

All group members take turns being the host. The host of the current month's meeting will set the attendance capacity for their home. Once the home's capacity has been reached, a wait-list will be started. We will be experimenting using Zoom to allow wait-listed members to attend the monthly meeting, remotely. To be placed on the group's mailing list, email Faith Stevens at [faithstevens@gmail.com](mailto:faithstevens@gmail.com).

Co-Chairs: Don and Faith Stevens

# More Activities

## Bunco-for-All



## Dining Out



**When:** Monday, March 21, 2022

**Time:** 5:30 to 8:30 PM

**Where:** Barbara and Ted Carpenter's,  
107 Caicos Cove, Lakeway

**Limit:** 32 participants

\*\*\*Note if this event draws more than 32 people, we have a second host house, and we will split the total between the two houses. Singles do NOT need a predesignated partner to participate in this event.

**Cost:** \$5.00 per person, at the door

**Bring:** Covered dish to share and BYOB

**RSVP:** Email Joan Peterson before March 11

at: [kepjc@msn.com](mailto:kepjc@msn.com) and include the category of dish you will be bringing, i.e., appetizer, main dish, or dessert. If a category is full, Joan will let you know which categories are still available.

Dining Out continues to be a highly popular Newcomers activity. The next Dining Out cycle will begin in August and conclude at the end of November. The group pairings for the January through May cycle are set and have been distributed to the participants.

During this heightened period of caution, it is currently up to each dining group to determine whether they want to continue meeting for a dinner or to postpone until a later date within the January to May cycle.

If you have questions about this activity group, please direct your inquiries to the group's Chair at [lakewaydiningout@gmail.com](mailto:lakewaydiningout@gmail.com).

Chair: Ed Hermann



# Newcomers Golf Event

We are ready to move into spring with our first golf event of 2022! The committee has secured 3 tee times at Yaupon on **Wednesday, March 16** with the first group starting at 3:00. This will be a scramble event with players grouped based on handicaps. We will take the first 12 members who register. We may be able to secure an additional tee time if there are more than 12 members who want to participate.

All players will pay a \$1.00 fee for a prize pool. There are different costs for the event based on your golf club or expanded club membership status:

- Hills and Lakeway Country club golf members will only pay the standard cart fee of \$10.00
- Members with social and fitness, plus the XLife membership, will pay the standard cart fee of \$10.00
- Non-members, and memberships other than those above, will pay \$30.00 green fee plus the standard cart fee of \$10.00, payable at the course.

If you'd like to participate in this event, **please email the following information to Tom Cain at [golf@thomasgcain.com](mailto:golf@thomasgcain.com) before March 13:**

- Your club membership status as defined above
- Your handicap or average golf score for 9 or 18 holes

This will be a fun outing with time for socializing after golf with other Newcomer members. We look forward to seeing you out on the course!

John Bergan, Co-Chair, [johnberg3737@gmail.com](mailto:johnberg3737@gmail.com)

# Men's Night Out



We are finally kicking-off our first Men's Night Out Happy Hour event of 2022. This is an opportunity for our male members to enjoy an evening out where they can meet and socialize with other male members of Lakeway Newcomers.

This Happy Hour social will be held **Thursday, March 24** between 4:30 and 6:30 PM at The Gramercy located at 1516 RR 620 in the Oaks Shopping Center. There will be Happy Hour drink specials with appetizers and food also available for purchase.

Please come enjoy an evening out and an opportunity to meet other male members of Lakeway Newcomers. We would also like to get input from those interested in continuing this venue by discussing ideas for Men's Night Out activities that can be planned for the coming year.

If you would like to attend this March 24 event, please **RSVP to John Bergan** at [johnberg3737@gmail.com](mailto:johnberg3737@gmail.com) before **3/20/2022**.

*Ladies* – if your male partner's email address is not used for Newcomers mailings, please be sure to pass this message along.

# WINE APPRECIATION and EDUCATION



Plans are in the works for a spring winery and tasting event. A winery in the Fredericksburg area is a top candidate.

Once the date for the spring event is finalized, we will post the information in the newsletter or send out a special announcement, including the process for registering to attend.

For information about the Newcomers Wine Appreciation and Education Group, please contact the co-Chairs Bruce Bauman [bmilehighman@hotmail.com](mailto:bmilehighman@hotmail.com) or Scott Westphal [westphalscott@gmail.com](mailto:westphalscott@gmail.com).



# Lakeway Newcomers All-Member March Social

*Let's toast the winter away and  
kick off Newcomer's 2022!*

**Happy Hour at *Shore Raw Bar and Grill***

**Thursday, March 10 4:30 – 6:30 PM**

Complimentary appetizers featuring a variety of land and sea specialties will be provided by Lakeway Newcomers. Drinks at Happy Hour prices will be available for purchase.

**Registration for this event closed on February 24**, but if you would like to be put on the wait-list, in the event a registered member needs to cancel, send an email with your member name(s) to [lakewaysocials@gmail.com](mailto:lakewaysocials@gmail.com).

If you registered for this limited capacity event and later find that you are unable to attend, please notify our Social Committee ASAP at [lakewaysocials@gmail.com](mailto:lakewaysocials@gmail.com) so that we can contact members who have been placed on the wait-list.

Shore will have live music after 6:30. If you would like to stay on past the Newcomers Social and would like a dinner reservation, be sure you have indicated such in your registration email.



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Austin, TX 78735

***Also, be sure to save-the-date for the next to-be-announced April 14 social***

# Membership

Thank you for renewing your membership for 2022! We are looking forward to the coming year and renewed opportunities for group socialization.

If you had information changes (e.g., email, phone number, address changes), or you have questions about joining or renewing, please contact *Val Ward* at: [lakewaynewcomers2022@gmail.com](mailto:lakewaynewcomers2022@gmail.com)

The membership form for new members and for renewing members can be printed from the Membership link on our website located at: [lakewaynewcomers.com](http://lakewaynewcomers.com).



**If you meet someone who has recently  
moved to Lakeway, please tell them  
about our Lakeway Newcomers group**



# Member Support



Do you know a member, who is seriously ill, hospitalized, injured, or has had a death in the family? If so, please contact [Debbie Carver](#) by phone at (714) 392-1220 or by email at [debbieanncarver@gmail.com](mailto:debbieanncarver@gmail.com) so that Lakeway Newcomers support can be shared with a card, prayers, or other forms of caring.

**"Speedy Recovery" cards were sent to Mike Scarberry and Robin Smith**



For Lakeway Newcomers information, including the current and archived newsletters, go to our website at: [Lakewaynewcomers.com](http://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 Steve Guty at: [ctl-alt-del@msn.com](mailto:ctl-alt-del@msn.com)



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