



# Lakeway Newcomers

## August 2022 Newsletter



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### President's Message

Greetings Newcomers!

I hope everyone is surviving the summer heat and has been able to enjoy a summer break or vacation somewhere in a cooler location. Or perhaps you are still looking forward to taking a break away from the Austin heat during August.

We had a very good turnout for the July Men's Night Out Happy Hour and for the July Out-to-Lunch event. These monthly get-togethers at nearby restaurants are a great way to meet and socialize with fellow Newcomers.

We have a lot of other upcoming activities to be excited about! After pausing our summer in-home socials for July, we are set to resume them again in August. We are planning a Country Western barbecue & dance in September, sponsored jointly with Newcomer's Alumni. In the works for this fall is our first "Brews and Booze Experiences" event, plus, there will be a fall Wine Appreciation and Education event. Also, Men's golf will resume in the fall once the intense summer heat has passed.

So be on the lookout for announcements in our newsletters and in special emails for the details about our fun future events. I hope we'll see you there!

*Jim Filas*

## Out-to-Lunch



We had an excellent turnout at the July 12<sup>th</sup> lunch event held at The League in Bee Cave. We will be taking a break for the month of August with no Out-to-Lunch being scheduled.

All Lakeway Newcomer members are welcome to attend these lunch events (men, women, couples and singles). If you would like information about this group, please contact Renea Bergan at [rbergan55@gmail.com](mailto:rbergan55@gmail.com).

## Bunco for All



The next Bunco event will be held later this fall and will be advertised in a future newsletter.

## September Social

*Save the date!!*

Please put **Thursday, September 22 from 6:30 to 9:30 PM** on your calendar. This is the date of our Country Western dinner and dance social to be held jointly with the Newcomers Alumni group. Watch for the details in an emailed announcement flyer and registration form that will be sent to all members.

## Cinema Group



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

Attendees will bring an appetizer to share in addition to bringing their own beverage of choice. The host will provide or request some attendees to bring desserts. 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. The entire group is then given a few days to vote on the movies that will be selected from the nomination list. Registration for the next meeting begins once the movie selection vote has been compiled and announced to the whole group.

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. 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

## Men's Night Out



The next Men's Night out event will be **held on Wednesday, August 17 from 4:30 to 6:30 at the Sundancer Grill** on Lake Travis. We've had a great time over drinks and food at our past events; and again, we look forward to this Happy Hour meeting with the Men of Lakeway Newcomers.

So we can secure space at the restaurant, please RSVP to [johnberg3737@gmail.com](mailto:johnberg3737@gmail.com) before August 14 if you will be attending.



## Golf Scramble



The summer heat is still with us, which makes it difficult to golf in the late afternoons when tee times would be available for a group of our size. We, therefore, are going to postpone our golf events until September or October, with the hope of some relief from this brutal heat by then. We'll keep those on our mailing list posted once we have more news -- closer to September.

We'll look forward to when we can get out again for a round of golf, followed by dinner, with other Lakeway Newcomer members.

## Dining Out



Registration for participating in the next August to November cycle is closed. All new and continuing Dining Out participants have been notified of their group pairings for the next cycle. If you have questions about participating in Dining Out, contact Ed Hermann at [lakewaydiningout@gmail.com](mailto:lakewaydiningout@gmail.com).

## WINE APPRECIATION and EDUCATION



The next wine event will be held at **Fall Creek Vineyards** in Dripping Springs **on Wednesday, October 12 at 1:30**. The cost will be \$30 per person for a wine tasting with an included cheese board. The owners of the winery are scheduled to be present to discuss the featured wines and the winery.

If you would like to register for this event, please print and fill-out the registration form located here [Registration Form Link](#) and mail your completed form to Scott Westphal with your payment. For any questions or additional information about this event, contact Bruce Bauman at [bmilehighman@hotmail.com](mailto:bmilehighman@hotmail.com).

If you are not yet sure about registering for this October event -- at least reserve the date on your calendar. We will repeat this announcement in the September newsletter. The last day to register and pay for the event is October 1.

# Summer Social Series

## August 11th



If you would like to participate in one of the happy hours on August 11th, email the social team at [lakewaysocials@gmail.com](mailto:lakewaysocials@gmail.com) **by August 1<sup>st</sup>**. Be sure to include the names and email addresses of the members you are registering.

Attendees are asked to BYOB and an appetizer to share. A lottery system will be used to assign the members going to each home (in a manner similar to how the Dining Out groups are assigned).

The weekend before the event, those who have registered for this event will receive information about their host home assignment, the home's address, and specifics regarding parking and any other details.

*Your Newcomers Social Team – Jan, Joy, Lorraine, Robin, & Pam*



# Brews and Booze Experiences



This new activity group will focus on quarterly visits to Austin and Hill Country breweries and distilleries using a format similar to that of the Wine Appreciation and Education group. The co-chairs are planning an inaugural *Brews* event for late September or early October at a brewery in Hays County. Watch for an announcement in next month's newsletter.

Once the details of the fall event have been finalized, we will be sending an email with a registration form to all who have asked to be put on this group's mailing list.

If you have not already notified the co-chairs of your desire to participate in this new group, **please send an email with your name(s), email addresses, and phone numbers to [NewcomersBrewsAndBooze@gmail.com](mailto:NewcomersBrewsAndBooze@gmail.com)**, and we'll put you on the mailing list.

Co-Chairs: John Staiger, Bruce Bauman, and Don Stevens

# Membership and New Members

The Lakeway Newcomers Board recently acted on a request to provide more flexibility in allowing guests to accompany a single member at Newcomers events.

Our Bylaws state:

*"A guest of a member may attend a maximum of two meetings/functions, accompanied by that member, provided any event fees are paid by or on behalf of the guest. The spouse of an LN member cannot be considered a guest."*

The above section of the Bylaws will not change. However, the Board agreed to create a brand-new membership status to cover guests accompanying a current member who is single. This addition to the Bylaws reads as follows:

*"Single members (those without a spouse/partner) will be allowed to pay for an unnamed, associated guest membership which allows the single member to bring a guest to club events. The guest membership shall be associated with a specific single member. The guest membership shall be subject to the normal annual dues charged to all members. Any fees associated with a specific event attended by a guest member will also be due, as it would be for any other attendee."*

This change will allow those single members who pay for an annual guest membership to bring a guest of their choice to any Lakeway Newcomers event -- provided the guest also pays the fees that would be applicable to the given event. The Board is hopeful that this change will further encourage Lakeway *Singles* to join or continue their membership in Lakeway Newcomers.

**If you are a single member of Lakeway Newcomers and would like to take advantage of this guest membership provision, 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 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)

## Please Welcome our New Members

Joe and Marion Welch  
308 Highland Village Dr.  
from Ridgefield, CT





# 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.



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 Gutty at: [ctl-alt-del@msn.com](mailto:ctl-alt-del@msn.com)



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# Lakeway Newcomers Upcoming Events and Registration Deadlines

# August 2022

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
JULY	24		25		26		27		28	JULY	29		30
		August Newsletter Published											
	31	AUGUST	1		2		3		4		5		6
		Last day to RSVP for August 11 <sup>th</sup> Summer Social											
	7		8		9		10		11		12		13
								Summer Socials from 5:00 to 7:00 PM					
	14		15		16		17		18		19		20
Last day to RSVP for August 17 Men's Night Out						Men's Night Out at the Sundancer Grill at 4:30 PM							
	21		22		23		24		25		26		27
								September Newsletter Published		Cinema Group at 7:00 PM			
	28		29		30		31	SEPTEMBER	1		2		3