



Lakeway Newcomers

August 2022 Newsletter



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President's Message

Welcome Newcomers!

For those of you who missed it, we had a great dinner and Lady Bird Lake bat-boat cruise on on July 13th. The view of the Austin skyline from the lake was amazing -- it highlighted the unbelievable growth in downtown Austin. And we got to see some bats! Remarkably, the weather was quite tolerable – perhaps it was because we were on the water during the cooler evening hours. Thanks to Leslee Minahan and Robin Hermann for helping us organize this sold-out event.

Don't forget to sign up for our September barbecue event featuring the Lake Travis High School Fiddlers. We'd like to make this a major welcoming event for our members and the Lakeway Community. See the flyer with the details in this newsletter.

We have our second series of summer socials coming up on August 10th. This will be a great opportunity to meet and socialize with fellow Newcomers at the homes of gracious member hosts. Also, we've had a very good response to our monthly Men's Night Out gatherings. So, men, if you haven't been attending these happy hours, consider joining us at the next event.

See you out and about!

Jim Filas

Dining Out



Registration for participating in the next Dining Out cycle is closed. All new and continuing **Dining Out participants have now been notified of their group pairings for the activities that will begin in August and run through November.** If you have questions about Dining Out, contact Ed Hermann at lakewaydiningout@gmail.com.

e-Bike Touring



For our members who ride e-bikes. This group is hosted by Brian Hill, who also hosts the YouTube series "[Seniors Guide to Buying an e-Bike](#)."

An event will be held at **8:00 AM on Saturday, August 19.** This e-bike ride will be an unofficial tour of historic Lakeway. Along the way, we will discuss the creation of the Lakeway airstrip, the first Lakeway telephone, and the opening of the Lakeway Inn by Lady Bird Johnson and Governor John Connolly.

To participate, you must be an adult and own, or have access to, your own e-bike, and know how to proficiently ride. Your bike must be fully charged (it will be checked), and you must wear a helmet. Participation in this activity is at your own risk.

This tour/ride will be limited to 8 riders, so sign up before it fills up. To participate and reserve a spot, **send an email to Brian Hill** at brianhillaustin@gmail.com.

Wine Appreciation & Education



As a follow-up to our highly successful multi-home wine and dine event last February, we are planning a similar but larger and less formal dinner event. This event will include the paring of several high-quality wines, but instead of an intimate four-course dinner, the focus will be on sampling participants' favorite Austin area pizzas.

Attendees will bring their favorite local pizza to share with up to 12 participants at a host home. The host will be providing a salad and dessert. The wines will be selected and procured, at a very favorable price, by our group's wine experts. So, not only will you be able to sample some new high-quality wines -- you will also likely discover new favorite pizzas.

The date for this multi-home wine and pizza event will be **Wednesday, October 11 at 6:00 PM.** Details about the cost and how to register for the event will be listed in next month's September newsletter. **But be sure to save this date on your calendar, now!**

If you would be interested in being one of the hosts for this event – please email Scott Westphal at westphalscottc@gmail.com.

New Activity Groups ?

The Lakeway Newcomers Board is very open to adding more activity groups to our club's portfolio. If you have an idea for a new Newcomers activity group that you would be willing to organize and subsequently chair, please email President Jim Filas at jimfilas@gmail.com to tell him about your idea for a new activity group.

Cinema Group



This activity group normally meets on the fourth Friday of each month to discuss and rate the month's previously selected movies. Participants view three group-selected films at their convenience. To promote a meaningful discussion, members who register to attend the monthly meeting must see at least two of the three movies being reviewed by the group.

Attendees bring an appetizer to share in addition to their own beverage of choice. The host provides the dessert. The evening begins at 6:30 followed at 7:00 by a group discussion of the three movies.

The host of the current month's meeting will set the attendance capacity for their home. Once the host 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.

Co-Chairs: Don and Faith Stevens

Brews & Booze Experiences



Many of the local venues cannot accommodate larger groups with indoor air-conditioned seating. But we are continuing to scope out candidate locations that are within a reasonable distance from Lakeway. Watch for an announcement in the September newsletter about our next event.

Golf Scramble



Due to the recent extreme heat and the expectation that it will continue into August, we will not be scheduling a Golf Scramble event for our members in August. We expect to hold the next event later in September.

Thanks for your understanding. We look forward to seeing all the Newcomer golfers at our outing in September. Watch for the announcement in next month's newsletter.

John Bergan and Tom Cain
Golf Committee Co-Chairs

Men's Night Out



This get-together for food and happy hour drinks has been a fun way getting to know or becoming better acquainted with other men in Lakeway Newcomers. The August Men's Night Out will feature an old fashion Texas get-together. **We'll meet at Little Woodrow's (Woody's Tavern & Grill) on Tuesday, August 22 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM.** Woodrow's is located at 12801 Shops Parkway, Shops of the Galleria in Bee Cave.

To go along with the social time, attendees can purchase cold beer and other drinks, plus sandwiches, burgers and wings. Woody's is a sports offering pool, games, and Happy Hour prices until 7:00 PM.

If you would like to join us, send an email to John Bergan at johnberg3737@gmail.com with your RSVP by August 20. This will enable John to give the restaurant an accurate count for seating and service.

Summer Social Series



The Social Team is pleased to announce the second of our Summer Social Series, which will be **on August 10**.

These small group socials will be held at members' homes as a happy hour from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. **Attendees are asked to BYOB and to also bring an appetizer to share.** A lottery system will be used to assign members to each of the host homes (in a manner similar to how the Dining Out groups are assigned).

If you would like to participate in this [August 10 event](#), please email the social team no later than August 1 at lakewaysocials@gmail.com. Be sure to include the name(s) and email addresses of the members you are registering.

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



**July 13th Dinner
and Bat Cruise on
Lady Bird Lake**





Lakeway Newcomers, Newcomers Alumni, Potential Newcomers & Guests

Don't miss an exciting evening with the...

Lake Travis High School Fiddlers

And back by popular demand...

BBQ Dinner by *Jim's Smoke House*

Thursday, September 28, 2023

At the Lakeway Activity Center
105 Cross Creek, Lakeway, TX 78734

Price: \$28.00 per person

Please BYOB



6:00 PM – Social Time

6:30 PM – Dinner

7:30 – Fiddler's Performance

To register, click on this link: [Fiddlers Event Registration](#)

- Registration deadline is **September 18**, and there will be no refunds after this date
- If you would like to reserve a full or partial table, please email **all the names** of your party to Lakewaysocials@gmail.com



Membership

Please tell your Lakeway neighbors about our Newcomers Club and the fun activities that are available to our members. One no longer needs to be *new-to-Lakeway* to join.

To apply for membership in Lakeway Newcomers, you can either mail your check along with your completed membership form, which can be printed from our website at [Print Membership Application](#); or you can apply and pay for your membership online at [Membership Application and Payment](#)

If you are a single member who would like to take advantage of our guest membership provision, which enables single members to bring recurring guests to any Newcomers function, contact Val Ward at lakewaynewcomers2022@gmail.com.

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 [Cynthia Keas](#) by phone at (512) 468-1472 or by email at cynthia@montebella.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

The protected areas of the website include the membership directory. To access the protected areas, use your assigned password. If you do not remember your login information, please email Steve Gutty at: ctl-alt-del@msn.com

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Lakeway Newcomers Upcoming Events and Registration Deadlines

August 2023

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
JULY	30		31	AUGUST	1		2		3		4		5
				Last day to RSVP for Summer Socials on August 10th Dining Out cycle begins									
	6		7		8		9		10		11		12
								Summer Socials at 5:00 PM					
	13		14		15		16		17		18		19
												eBike Tour at 8:00 AM	
	20		21		22		23		24		25		26
Last day to RSVP for Men's Night Out on August 22				Men's Night Out at 5:00 PM						Cinema Group at 6:30 PM September Newsletter Published			
	27		28		29		30		31	SEPTEMBER	1		2
	3		4		5		6		7		8		9
		Labor Day											