

Lakeway Newcomers & Neighbors

December 2024 Newsletter



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Lakeway

Newcomers and Neighbors

Join us for fun and friendship

Presidents Message

Happy Holidays! We have made it to December and are looking forward to spending time with friends and families. What better way to celebrate the Season than attending the Gala? **Currently we have sold over 90 tickets.** We really need to have 110 attendees to make this a successful event! **If you have not purchased your tickets yet, please do so before November 30th!**

During November, we had three very successful events:

- **Parker Jazz Club** – on November 6th over 50 members attended this event! We listened to some good music, had a wonderful dinner and a fun time. Thanks to MaryAnn Veregge for organizing this event!
- **Ladies Night Out** – the inaugural Ladies Night Out occurred on November 13th with over 20 ladies attending! Thanks to Ellen Graybill for organizing this event!
- **Trivia Night** - the first Trivia Night occurred on November 22nd with 24 members attending. Thanks to Julie Gross for organizing and hosting this event!

We continue to welcome new members, our total is now 50 for this year! Our best source for new members is your referral! CONSIDER INVITING INTERESTED FRIENDS TO THE GALA!!

Finally, two other reminders:

- **Dining Out** – registration for the winter season is now open until January 6th. Be sure to register for this!
- **Membership Renewal** – be sure to renew your membership for 2025! **DID YOU KNOW THAT YOUR LNN MEMBERSHIP PROVIDES ACCESS TO OVER 50 SOCIAL ACTIVITIES DURING THE YEAR? LNN IS GREAT VALUE!**

Once again, see the details shown below for all activities.

I encourage everyone to review the calendar of events shown on the last page of the newsletter and participate in as many events as possible.

Wishing everyone a joyful holiday season.

Ed Hermann

2024 Gala Event



Online registration with payment must be made by no later than **November 30**.

Purchase Tickets

- **\$95 per person (no refunds)**
- **Cash bar is available**
- **Black tie optional**

Interested in a table seating arrangement?

**Email your seating request to
lakewaysocials@gmail.com**

**Please provide the names of up to four couples
names per table.**

Dining Out

Registration for the next Dining Out cycle is now open. **The next cycle begins in February and concludes at the end of June 2025.** If you are a participant in the current cycle and wish to continue in the next cycle, no action is necessary, and you will automatically be enrolled in the next cycle's pairings. If you dropped out during the current cycle, you must reenroll to participate in the next cycle.

If you are interested in joining the next cycle but are not currently registered for Dining Out, please email lakewaydiningout@gmail.com **by January 6th**. In your response, please indicate whether you are joining as a single or couple and whether you would like to be an active participant or a substitute.

If you are a participant in the current cycle and wish to discontinue participation in the next cycle or change your status to a substitute, please email lakewaydiningout@gmail.com to indicate your decision.

[Click Here to Join the Group](#)

Jim Filas

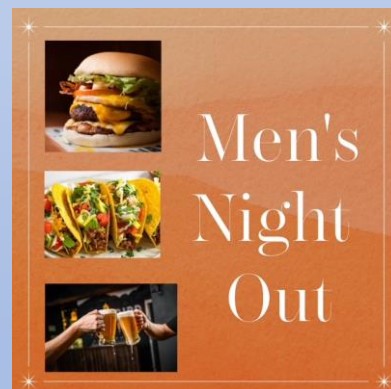
Men's Night Out

Please plan to join fellow gentlemen of Lakeway Newcomers and Neighbors for the Men's Night out in December. This month we will meet at the [League Kitchen](#) located at [1310 RR 620 in Lakeway](#) on **Monday 12/9**. The evening will run from 5:30 - 7:00. On Mondays the League offers 2 for 1 Burgers along with Happy Hour and other specials.

This will help jump start the holiday season so mark your calendars and hope you can make plans to join us. Please email your RSVP to johnberg3737@gmail.com **prior to 12/6** so I can make arrangements with the restaurant on the number of attendees.

Thanks in advance for your support!

John Bergan



[Click Here to Email John](#)

Cinema Group

The Cinema Group normally meets at a member's home on the fourth Friday of each month to discuss and rate two previously selected movies. Attendees can nominate films currently playing in theaters or films that are streaming online. Those who RSVP to attend the group discussion meeting will view the two selected films on their own prior to the group's next meeting.

The November & December meetings are combined and moved to **December 6th**

Attendees bring an appetizer to share and their own beverage of choice. The host provides a dessert. The evening begins at 6:30 followed at 7:00 by a group discussion of the two movies, and the selection of the movies for the next month. 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 waitlist will be started. Email Faith Stevens at faithstevens@gmail.com if you would like to be added to this group's mailing list.



[Click Here to
Join the Group](#)

A Gin Rummy Evening

Our next gin rummy night will be in January, and Andy and Christie Kirmse will send out an email once the new date has been established.

It will be necessary for those who are still interested to re-sign up or those who have decided they would like to join to send their preferred contact information both text and email to Andy at wakirmse@flash.net.

We can accommodate up to 12 players and they must be in pairs. We meet on a Tuesday at the trophy room in the Flintrock CC from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM followed by dinner.



At Flintrock Country Club

[Click Here to
Join the Group](#)

Andy

Ladies Night Out

We had lots of fun at our first Ladies Night Out! Delicious food, lots of laughter, and great conversations made it a blast. It was the perfect chance to chat, and to make a few new friends!

Keep an eye out for info on our **next get-together** in the **January newsletter**. Can't wait to see you all again!

Ellen



Trivia Night

The first Trivia Night on November 22 was a big success. We had 24 people divided into 4 teams, and the winning team went home with a keepsake trophy!

Our next Trivia Night will be Friday, February 21st, at 6:30 PM at Bruce and Nancy Bauman's home. We are keeping the list to 20 people, so please respond to LNNtrivianight@gmail.com if you are interested.

The hosts will provide dessert at intermission; please bring your beverage of choice. We look forward to another fun evening of trivia!



Trivia Night – Recap Nov 22



Parker Jazz Club - Recap Nov 6

November 6, 2024



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Wine Education & Appreciation



LWNN Winter Fine Wine Dinner - Preannouncement - Save the Date

We are very pleased to announce the LWNN Winter Wine Appreciation Dinner will take place on the evening of **February 13th**. Similar to the fine wine event held this past January this dinner will once again feature an elegant dinner paired with carefully selected fine wines from around the world. Last January's dinner received a tremendous number of positive comments and we hope to once again create a memorable evening.

Please mark your calendar for February 13th. More information and registration will be available shortly.

Cheers
Scott Westphal

Membership

It's time to renew your membership for the 2025.

Ready for another year of fun and activities as a member of Lakeway Newcomers and Neighbors? We offer activities to fit everyone's interests - Dining Out groups, Cinema Group, Men's Night Out, Booze & Brews, Wine Appreciation group and now Trivia and Gin Rummy groups. So don't miss out on all the fun!

Your \$40 renewal application and payment for each member is due by December 31, 2024. 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 **Director, Membership** - Debbie Carver

We now have a secure online renewal and payment system for using a credit or debit card to pay for your annual membership. **Click on the following link to renew your membership online:**

50 new members for 2024

237 total members overall

51 renewals for 2025

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN or Renew](#)

Welcome
our New
Members



Mary Hoban
Teri & Kent O'Brien
Mary Romero
Jaleh Daie
Ellen Conoscenti

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 Ellen Graybill by phone at 805-209-5449 or by email at eagraybill@msn.com so that Lakeway Newcomers and Neighbors can share support with a card, prayers, or other forms of caring.



For Lakeway Newcomers and Neighbors 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



Your 2024 Lakeway Newcomers and Neighbors Board

President - [Ed Hermann](#)

VP & Treasurer - [Scott Westphal](#)

Secretary - [Christie Covington](#)

Director, Socials & Special Events - [MaryAnn Veregge](#)

Social Committee: *Christie Kirmse, Debbie Carver, Jan Rouse, Joy Maytnier, Leslee Minahan, Linda London, Lisa Fredrick, Loraine Dantone Werner, Pam Filas, Robin Hermann, Sydney Berman*

Director, Membership - [Debbie Carver](#)

Director, Technology - [Steve Gutty](#)

Director, Newsletter & Communications - [Chris Gross](#)

Director, Welcoming Care & Concern - [Ellen Graybill](#)

Parliamentarian - [Jim Filas](#)

Board of Directors - Election

Dear Lakeway Newcomers and Neighbors Member,

We are pleased to present the 2025 slate of officers listed below. Per our bylaws, we provide this list of nominated officers to the entire membership for a confirmation vote.

Each member is entitled to one vote per candidate, or you can approve the entire slate of candidates with the statement "I (or We) approve all."

Send your vote response message to jimfilas@gmail.com.

The deadline for receiving vote responses is December 1, 2024.

We thank you for your prompt attention to this officer confirmation. If you approve, the nominees below will serve you on the Board during 2025.

2025 Lakeway Newcomers & Neighbors Board of Directors Nominations	
Office	Candidate
President	Ed Hermann
Vice President/Treasurer	Scott Westphal
Director Social & Special Events	Christie Kirmse (New)
Recording Secretary	MaryAnn Veregge (Moved from Social)
Director Membership	Debbie Carver
Director Communications & Newsletter	Chris Gross
Director Technology	Steve Gutty
Director Welcome, Care & Concern	Ellen Graybill

[Click Here to approve all](#)



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Upcoming Events and Registration Deadlines

28	NOV, THU	● All day	Thanksgiving Day
1	DEC, SUN	● All day	Deadline to Vote for BOD
6	DEC, FRI	● All day	Last Day to Register for MNO
		● 6:30 – 9pm	Cinema Group
9	DEC, MON	● 5:30 – 6:30pm	Mens Night Out
12	DEC, THU	● 6 – 11pm	The Gala Event Sonesta Bee Cave
25	DEC, WED	● All day	Newsletter Published
31	DEC, TUE	● All day	Membership Renewal Due
6	JAN, MON	● All day	Last Day to Register for Dining Out

[CLICK HERE for Gala Tickets](#)