

Lakeway Newcomers & Neighbors

October 2025 Newsletter

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Gala Event 2025

SAVE the DATE: December 11, 2025

President's Message

We have made it through the summer and now the fun begins! Before discussing upcoming events, **I am happy to announce that we have added 54 new members this year, surpassing our goal of 50 new members! Our membership total is now 232!** We could not have done it without your support!

It is now time to purchase your tickets for the GALA, which will be held on December 11th in the Flintrock Falls Ballroom. Lakeway favorite – Groove Knight will provide the entertainment. This year's price is \$85, which is \$10 lower than last year! Our social team is planning a fabulous evening of dining and dancing. Please make every effort to attend and buy your tickets early! **This will be a first-class affair!**

We have been advised that another event like our Gala is being offered in December. Please do not confuse that event with the LNN GALA, which will occur on December 11th. Please support your organization that schedules fun and interesting events throughout the year!

Listed below are the scheduled activities for the remainder of the year:

Bunco on October 9th, **REGISTER BY OCTOBER 1!**

Trivia Night on October 10th

LNN Social on October 23rd

Wine Appreciation Event on November 6th

The above events are in addition to our regular monthly events sponsored by our members:

Dining Out – chaired by Jim Filas.

Ladies Night Out – chaired by Ellen Graybill, on October 8th.

Men's Night Out - chaired by John Bergen, next event will be scheduled for November.

Cinema Group – chaired by Faith & Don Stevens, on October 24th.

Please consider bringing anyone potentially interested in joining LNN to either Ladies' Night Out, Men's Night Out, or Dining Out, as appropriate!

DID YOU KNOW THAT ANYONE WHO JOINS LNN AFTER OCTOBER 1 WILL BE GRANDFATHERED FOR 2026 MEMBERSHIP!

Board Opportunities - at the end of this year there will be two vacancies on the Board – Social & and Retention. Please contact Ed Hermann if interested.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming events.

Ed

Fall Social

LNN FALL SOCIAL

The Lakeway Newcomers and Neighbors is excited to announce a Fall Social on **Thursday, October 23rd.**

This is the same format as the Summer Socials.

There will be small groups meeting for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at members' homes from **5:30 to 7:30 pm.**

Attendees are asked to **BYOB and to bring an appetizer to share.**

If you wish to join in on the fun and meet other members, please click the link below to **RSVP**. Be sure to include the name(s) and email address(es) of the members you are registering. You are also encouraged to invite potential new members, and be sure to include them in your reservation.

A week before the event, you will receive an email with your **house assignment location** and details.

[I want to join the fun](#)
[Please RSVP by October 12th!](#)

Bunco Night

LNN is hosting a BUNCO night on OCTOBER 9th, starting at 6 PM in the Lakeway Activity Center - Room F!

Bunco is a fun way to meet other people and an [easy game to learn](#). There will be a brief period of instruction before the competition begins.

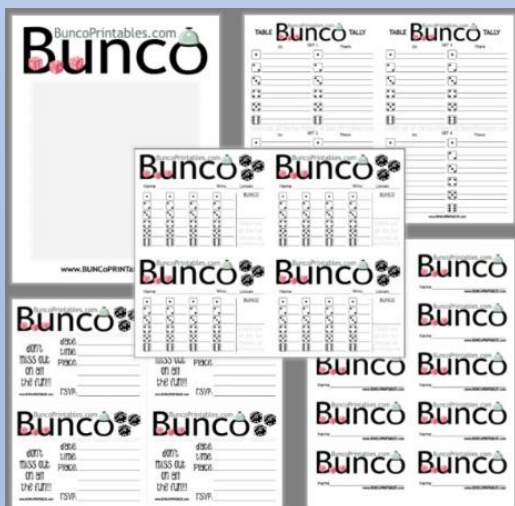
New members are encouraged to attend, along with friends who are interested in joining LNN.

Single ladies are encouraged to attend.

Please bring your own choice of beverage and an appetizer or dessert to share with others. BRING \$5 PER PERSON FOR THE POT.

[Click here to Register by
Wednesday, 10/1/2025](#)

OR email debbiecarver@hotmail.com



Wine Appreciation Event



The **Wine Appreciation & Education group** is pleased to announce this fall's **hosted wine dinner**. The format for the dinner will be small bites/Tapas that will be prepared jointly by the hosts and their guests. In some respects, this dinner will be similar to The Wine Cellar event, but will be hosted with wines that will be of a "higher quality".

Late Breaking News--Important Update: The November 6th Wine Dinner is currently sold out. You may add your name to the waitlist by emailing westphalscottc@gmail.com . People on the waitlist are often able to attend the event due to cancellations.

Our next wine dinner is scheduled for late January or early February. We are actively recruiting hosts for future events.

Contact Scott Westphal at westphalscottc@gmail.com with any questions.



A Gin Rummy Evening

We will be meeting on the **third Tuesday of each month** in the Trophy Room at Flintrock.

Our game will be held on **October 21st. Play will start at 4:30 p.m., with dinner to follow at 6:30 p.m.**

This game is played with teams of two people, so if you are a couple, you will play together. Singles will be paired up with another single. Advise me if you know someone you would like to play with as a team.

The group is limited to 12 people. If you know a couple that might be interested in joining Newcomers, please invite them as well.

Christie

[Click Here to Join Christie](#)

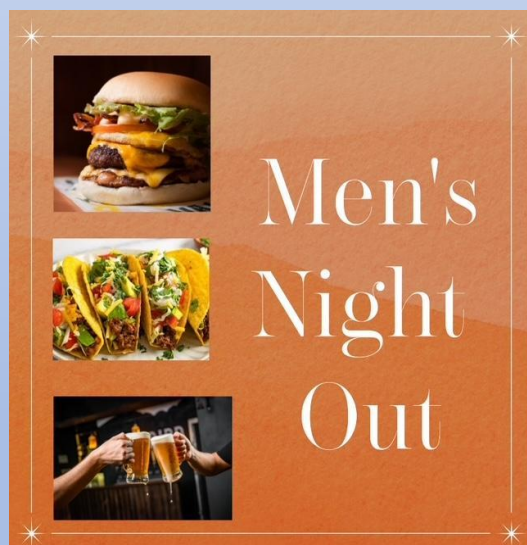


Men's Night Out

Men's Night Out is taking a break in October. Look for the new activity in the November newsletter that will be sent out on October 25th.

Thank you

John



Ladies' Night Out

Ladies' Night Out
the **grove**
wine bar | kitchen



Wednesday, October 8th, 6:30 p.m.

Gather with us for Ladies' Night Out.
Enjoy tasty bites, laughter, and friendships.
New members are welcome, it's the perfect chance to
mingle and connect. Spots fill up fast, so save yours
soon!

RSVP by clicking the link below or email
eagraybill@msn.com.



[Click Here to Join the Group](#)

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Cinema Group

The Cinema Group meets typically 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.

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 want to be added to this group's mailing list.



[Click Here to
Join the Group](#)



Trivia Night

It was another exciting evening for Trivia on September 4th. We had 24 participants who tested their knowledge on a variety of topics. Our next event on October 10 at Jim and Pam Filas' home is full. **Please sign up for our November 7th Trivia Night.**



The next Trivia Night will be on **November 7th** at 6:30 PM at Jaime Rubenstein's house:
319 Sweet Grass Lane in Serene Hills.



Julie

[Click Here to sign up for November 7th](#)

Dining Out Group

Dining Out is a great way to meet new people in our community and explore the area's dining opportunities!

The next Dining Out session is currently underway, running from August through December 2025. We look forward to meeting and dining with our fellow Newcomers & Neighbors and experiencing the variety of restaurants in our area.

(Note: If you signed up for this current session but did not receive an assigned grouping, please send an email to lakewaydiningout@gmail.com.)

Dining Out is also an excellent opportunity to include anyone interested in joining LNN. **If you want to introduce someone to LNN, consider inviting them to join you as a guest at one of your Dining Out events.** Our bylaws allow members to invite a guest to events two times to give them a chance to experience the organization and consider joining. If you decide to pursue this option, please coordinate with your group leader and advise them of your intent.

If you missed the deadline for signing up this season, the next session will kick off in February 2026, and registration will begin in November 2025. If you are already a participant, you will automatically be enrolled in the 2026 session.

[Click Here to
Join Dining Out](#)

Jim

*Lakeway Newcomers & Neighbors
Presents*



Holiday Gala 2025

Let's celebrate together at the beautiful

Hintrock Country Club

December 11, 2025

Cocktails 5:30

Dinner served at 6:30

Dinner Menu

Salad

Your choice of:

Prime Rib

Herb Crusted Salmon or

Vegetarian selection

Crepe Brulee or Tiramisu

Soft drinks and coffee included



[Reserve Your Place\(s\) Now!](#)

\$85.00 per person



*Dance to the Music
Of Groove Knight*



Membership

We offer activities to fit everyone's interests—dining out groups, Cinema Groups, Men's Night Out, Lady's Night Out, Booze and brews groups, a Wine Appreciation group, and now Trivia and Gin Rummy groups. So don't miss out on all the fun!

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

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN](#)

Recruiting—Our recruiting drive continues to yield results.

Our goal is to recruit 50 new members, and **we have now reached 57 for this year.**

Please remind your friends and neighbors that you no longer must be a *new* resident to join Lakeway Newcomers and Neighbors. Any Lakeway, The Village of the Hills, or the Lakeway ETJ resident is eligible to join, regardless of residency length.

Communities that are now eligible for LNN membership include Falcon Head, Falcon Head West, The Heights, Henning Heights, Ladera, and Avalon Townhomes.

Welcome our New Members

Alec Dollarhide from Scottsdale, Arizona

Jayne Lancaster

Jerry Claiborne



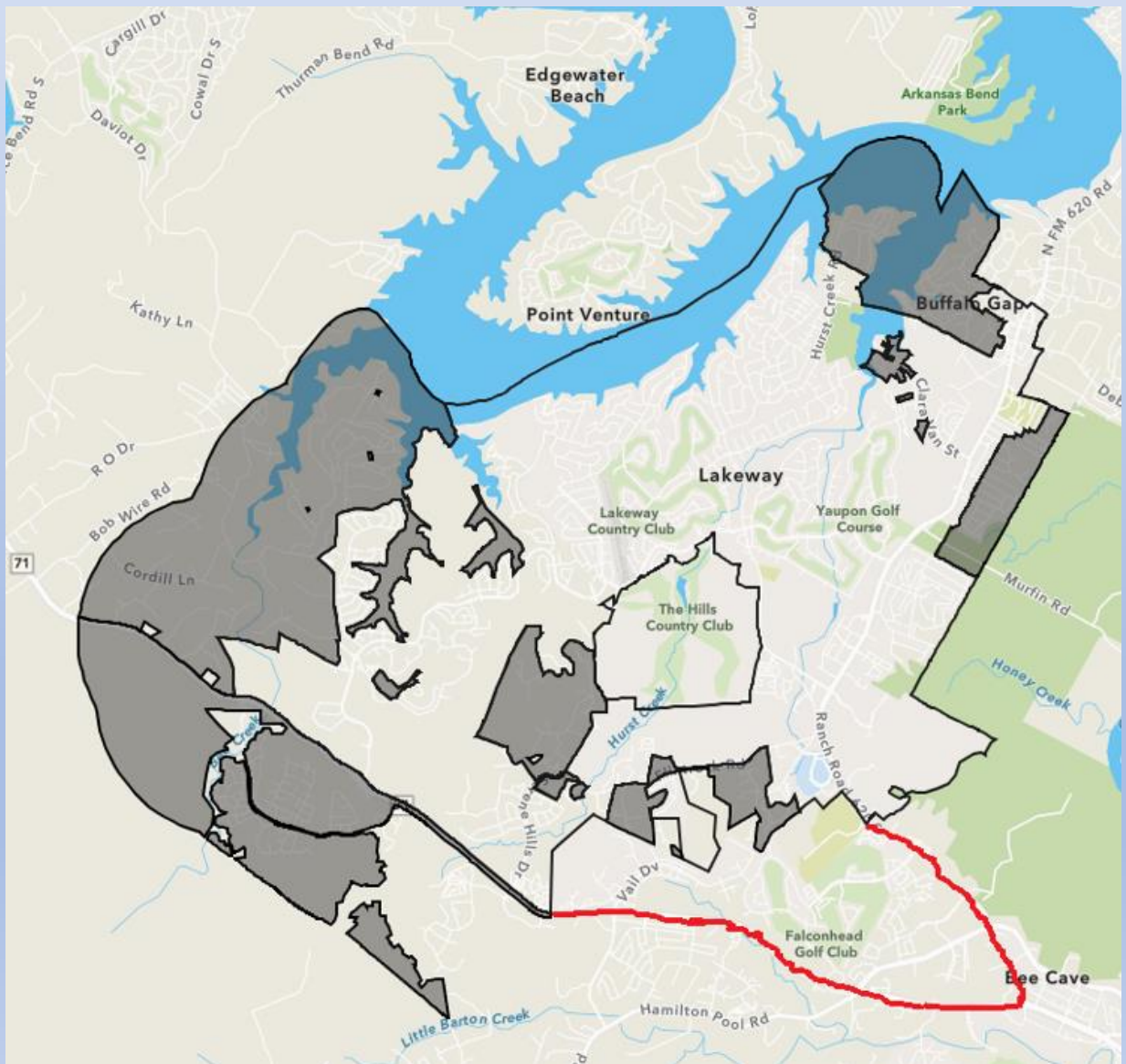
New Membership Boundaries

In 2024, Lakeway Newcomers changed its name and its mission! For decades, Lakeway Newcomers has been a local social club dedicated to helping new arrivals acclimate to the [Lakeway area](#). Our group is now open to all residents, regardless of length of residency!

Our new name – Lakeway Newcomers and Neighbors (LNN) better reflects our desire to attract all residents of the City of Lakeway, the Village of the Hills, Rough Hollow, Serene Hills, Sweetwater, the Lakeway ETJ (**Extra Territorial Jurisdiction**) in **gray**, and **a new area bounded by FM 620 and SH-71 in red below**:

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[LNN Membership Areas – Welcome to Lakeway Newcomers and Neighbors](#)



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**](http://www.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 Guty at: ctl-alt-del@msn.com



Your 2025 Lakeway Newcomers & Neighbors Board

President - Ed Hermann

VP & Treasurer - Scott Westphal

Secretary - MaryAnn Veregge

Director, Socials & Special Events –

Social Committee: Leslee Minahan, Joan Peterson, Robin Hermann, Sydney Berman, Pamela Swafford & Marion Welch.

Director, Membership - Debbie Carver

Director, Technology - Steve Guty

Director, Newsletter & Communications - Chris Gross

Director, Welcoming Care & Concern - Ellen Graybill

Parliamentarian - Jim Filas

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Upcoming Events and Registration Deadlines



25	SEP, THU	● All day	Newsletter Published
		● 3:30 – 5:30pm	Lopez Hill 12649 State Hwy 71
		● 5:30 – 6:30pm	Dinner at Lighthouse
26	SEP, FRI	● 6:30 – 9pm	Cinema Group
1	OCT, WED	● All day	Last Day to Register for Bunco
8	OCT, WED	● 6:30 – 8:30pm	Ladies Night Out
9	OCT, THU	● 6 – 9pm	Bunco Event Lakeway Activity Center
10	OCT, FRI	● 6:30 – 8:30pm	Additional Trivia Night
21	OCT, TUE	● 4:30 – 7:30pm	Gin Rummy Flintrock Falls Clubhouse
23	OCT, THU	● 5:30 – 7:30pm	LNN Social
24	OCT, FRI	● 6:30 – 9pm	Cinema Group
25	OCT, SAT	● All day	Newsletter Published
1	NOV, SAT	● All day	Registration for Dining Out Starts
6	NOV, THU	● 6 – 8:30pm	Wine Appreciation Event
7	NOV, FRI	● 6:30 – 8:30pm	Trivia Night
18	NOV, TUE	● 4:30 – 7:30pm	Gin Rummy Flintrock Falls Clubhouse
25	NOV, TUE	● All day	Newsletter Published
5	DEC, FRI	● 6:30 – 7:30pm	Cinema Group
11	DEC, THU	● All day	2025 Gala Event