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# Community Changes Lives By Sarah S. Jordan, MS



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#### Community Changes Lives - (Continued from Cover Page)

In late April, I was fortunate enough to be a small part of an incredible event in my neighborhood called "BBQ4JD." The theme on the back of the event t-shirts read "Community Changes Lives," and I don't think any other words could have summed it up better than those three words did.

What I witnessed was a large community coming together to support a child and family with love, donations, many hugs, and ongoing prayers. I could



not believe how many people, children, volunteers, and businesses came out to contribute their time, energy, and love to the event. It definitely showed the true colors and generosity of the neighborhood and the wonderful people that live there.

We moved there almost two years ago, and I have to say that I feel very fortunate to be part of such a great community. Through family time at the pool on weekends, attending business networking meetings, offering free women and stroller fitness classes, attending holiday events, and volunteering at a few things, great connections have been made and a large community feels much smaller to me.

This got me thinking... what are some ways that we can all get more plugged into our own neighborhoods? Here are some great ways to do just that. Volunteer. Communities put on so many great events throughout the year, and there are always volunteer opportunities and ways to get more involved. Donate. If you own a business or have a product that could be helpful to an event or silent auction, donate your time and/or an auction item. As they say, you have to give in order to receive, and there is so much to be gained in the spirit of giving to others. I cannot tell you how many incredible people I have been fortunate enough to meet through the giving of my time and services.

Read the community newsletter each month. A great deal of time and energy is spent in creating those newsletters, and they are a great way to stay updated on what is happening around you and to connect with the members, events, and local businesses in your community. Get moving together. Start a running or walking group. Plan a fun run/walk for parents and their children in your area to promote being active. Find people with similar interests and join or form a group, whether that is a book club, moms group, or business-networking group. So much is gained from partnerships and networking.

Welcome newcomers. Within a day or two of moving in, one of my neighbors had already showered us with free ice cream coupons to his shop. And other neighbors had already given us their cell phone numbers in case we needed anything. A little bit goes a long ways in making people feel welcome.

Plan a potluck for your neighbors on your street once a year. Food + Families = Fun! What ever you find to work for you and your family in getting involved, may you find immeasurable enjoyment

## Four Points Chamber of Commerce June Luncheon

Features Austin Better Business Bureau Speaker, Gabriel Perales On The Importance of Trust Recognition for your Business

Four Points Chamber of Commerce hosts Gabriel Perales, Trade Practices Manager at Austin Better Business Bureau as guest speaker for the Four Points Chamber's June Luncheon. Perales will be speaking about BBB Accreditation and what it means for businesses. Perales will talk about the impact of trust factors for your business and website and how trust factors promote conversion. Four Points Chamber luncheons provide stimulating discussions for local individuals, businesses and organizations to gain new insights and foster business

growth. Membership is not a requirement to come to the luncheon but you'll want to register online to ensure your seat and receive early-bird discount pricing!

- Thursday, June 16, 2011
- Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1p.m.
- At River Place Country Club, 4207 River Place Boulevard.

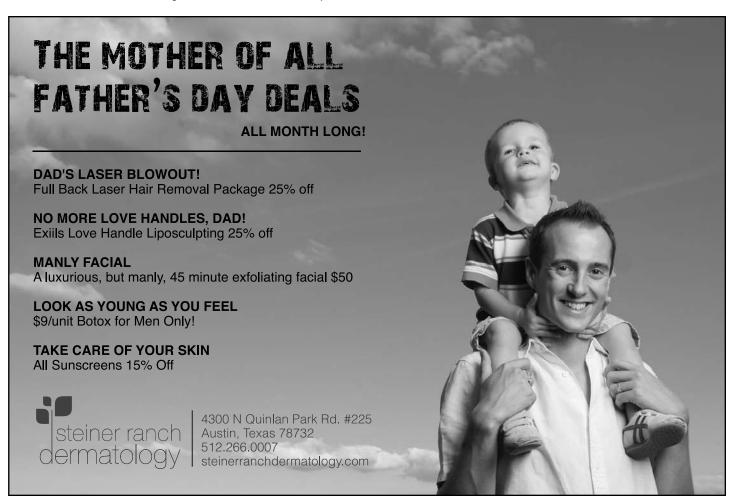
You can find all the details and register on the Four Points Chamber of Commerce Web site www.fourpointschamber.com. While you are



at the Chamber's Web site be sure to check out the other networking activities offered by the chamber, including the bi-monthly Connectors networking meetings at Concordia University and monthly Happy Hour. On Thursday, May 26th join us at Longhorn Village located at 12501 Longhorn Parkway in Steiner Ranch where we'll also be celebrating our monthly Happy Hour.

The Four Points Chamber of Commerce provides networking opportunities through social gatherings, luncheons and business network meetings. Now well

over 100 members strong and growing, the Four Points Chamber of Commerce brings businesses together along Highway 620 from Hudson Bend and Mansfield Dam to Anderson Mill, and along Ranch Road 2222 from Jester to Volente, to support business growth in the community. For more information about upcoming events contact us at FourPointsChamber@gmail.com, visit www.fourpointschamber. com or call (512) 551-0390. Membership inquiries may also be sent directly to membership@FourPointsChamber.com.





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Thursday, June 30, 6 to 9 p.m.

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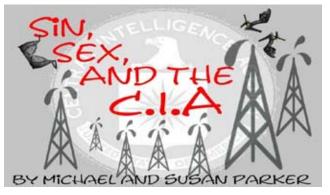
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Changing the landscape of the Lake Travis dining scene, two new restaurants have arrived at Oasis, Texas Village: Soleil, a Mediterranean restaurant and Uncle Billy's Brew and Que, a rustic Texas smokehouse and brewery. Located next to the world-famous Oasis restaurant, the two spaces combined amass a magnificent 38,000 square feet of lakefront space, sharing the stunning panoramic view of Lake Travis that Austin is known for.



Inspired by the seaside tastes of the Mediterranean and the rich, seasoned flavors of Italy, Soleil's menu showcases a wide variety of dishes. Led by Chef George Thomas, the Soleil kitchen prides itself on its bountiful, full-flavored cuisine. Though the seasonally changing menu was designed under the guidance of James Beard-award-winning Texas Chef Robert Del Grande, Chef Thomas' passion for cooking with fresh, all-natural and seasonal ingredients shines through every delightful dish. The bruschetta of Taleggio and pears and the shrimp and corn chowder are perfect starters, while Soleil's fettuccine with gulf crab, shrimp and lobster highlights how well traditional Italian fare marries with Mediterranean-inspired seafood dishes. The plate

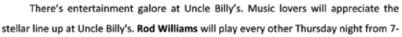
selections include gems like the rainbow trout, sea scallops and filet mignon.

Diners hankering for a less formal meal will delight in Soleil's burger selection, fish and chicken sandwiches and, of course, Soleil's stone-oven pizza menu, sure to please the entire clan. A children's menu is also available.

Looking for a sunset cocktail? **Soleil's Azure Lounge** is casual and welcoming with the same stunning view, highlighted by a massive curved bar showcasing Soleil's impressive cold and raw seafood selections, providing the perfect respite for a glass of bubbly and something light and refreshing.

Diners can enjoy soothing vibes at **Soleil's Sunday brunch** which features DJ Chicken George and other touring DJs in rotation each week. Served every Sunday, 10-3 p.m., the buffet-style brunch boasts a wide array of dishes including Soleil's Build-Your-Own Bloody Mary Bar.

Located upstairs from Soleil at Oasis, Texas Village, is Uncle Billy's Brew and Que, a rustic Texas smokehouse serving mouthwatering family-style barbecue. Featuring an on-site brewery, Uncle Billy's is renowned for its handcrafted signature ales and lagers. Developed from scratch by the highly regarded award-winning Brewmaster Brian Peters, these ales and microbrews are made with only the finest malted barley and aromatic hops. Uncle Billy's also offers a wide variety of selections from its full-service bar.





10 p.m., with other local talent taking the stage on alternate Thursdays. Uncle Billy's **Honky Tonk Happy Hour** every weekend features local favorites from 4-8 p.m.; with bands such as the **John Evans Band** and **Southern Backbones** featured from 8:30-11 p.m. Big-screen TVs please the sports fans and darts and shuffleboard seem to soothe those looking to relax after a day on the lake.

Whether fresh fish and pasta at Soleil, a sunset cocktail at Azure Lounge or legendary BBQ, brew and tunes at Uncle Billy's, there's something new under the sun, for everyone...at Oasis, Texas Village.

For more information, visit Soleil at www.SoleilAustin.com, Uncle Billy's at www.UncleBillysAustin.com

## **PRUNING GUIDELINES**

## for Prevention of Oak Wilt in Texas

Oak wilt, caused by the fungus Ceratocystis fagacearum, is the most destructive disease affecting live oaks and red oaks in Central Texas. Most of the tree mortality results from treeto-tree spread of the pathogen through interconnected or grafted root systems, once an oak wilt center becomes established. New infection centers begin when beetles carry oak wilt fungal spores from infected red oaks to fresh, open wounds on healthy oaks. Wounds include any damage caused by wind, hail, vehicles, construction, squirrels, birds or pruning. Research has shown that both oak wilt fungal mats on infected red oaks and insects that carry oak wilt spores are most prevalent in the spring. Below is a brief description of how you can reduce the risk of fungal spread when pruning.

- Always paint fresh wounds on oaks, including pruning cuts and stumps, with wound dressing or latex paint immediately after pruning or live tree removal at all times of the year.
- Clean all pruning tools with 10% bleach solution or Lysol™ between sites and/or trees.
- If possible avoid pruning or wounding of oaks during the spring (currently defined as February1 through June 30). Reasons to prune in the spring include:
  - O To accommodate public safety concerns such as hazardous limbs, traffic visibility or emergency utility line clearance.
  - O To repair damaged limbs (from storms or other anomalies)
  - O To remove limbs rubbing on a building or rubbing on other branches, and to raise low limbs over a street.
  - On sites where construction schedules take precedence, pruning any live tissue should only be done to accommodate required clearance.
  - O Dead branch removal where live tissue is not exposed.

Pruning for other reasons (general tree health, non-safety related clearance or thinning, etc.) should be conducted before February 1 or after June 30.

Debris from diseased red oaks should be immediately chipped, burned or buried. Regardless of the reasons or time of year, proper pruning techniques should be used. These techniques include making proper pruning cuts and avoiding injurious practices such as topping or excessive crown thinning. If you are uncertain about any of this information, you should consult with a Texas Oak Wilt Certified arborist, ISA Certified Arborist, or an oak wilt specialist from a city, county or state government agency such as the Texas Forest Service or Texas AgriLife Extension Service.

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## **MEET NATHAN**

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Meet Nathan, an active 10 year old child in foster care. He loves the Texas Longhorns and is a talented football and basketball player. He enjoys school, has lots of friends and is always respectful to his teacher. Nathan has so much potential for the future and in finding his forever home, he is destined to reach all of it!!

Stability of loving relationships and predictability in a safe environment are essential elements to help each child reach their potential. Finding a "Forever Family" for a child like Nathan is critical to his continued growth and development. As long as kids like Nathan remain in the foster care system, they always have the mindset that tomorrow may mean another foster home, another school, another set of parents to adjust to. Could you help Nathan or other children like him to gain the trust and security that comes with having a permanent family?

Adopting a child from the foster care system requires little or no cost to the adoptive family and funding may be available to help the adoptive family support the child or sibling group.

For more information, please contact Stephanie Berka, Wendy's Wonderful Kids Recruiter, Adoption Coalition of Texas at



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# NATUREWATCH Wild Woodland Orchids by Jim and Lynne Weber

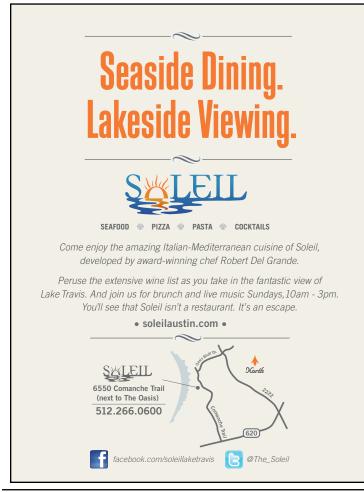
A colorful group of native orchids called Hexalectris or coralroots are found mainly in the mountains of northern Mexico and West Texas, but we are fortunate enough to have at least two species that grow in our area. The name Hexalectris literally means 'six cock's combs,' referring to the six prominent ridges that were thought to run down the length of the flower's lower lip. Despite this name, most flowers have only five or seven ridges.

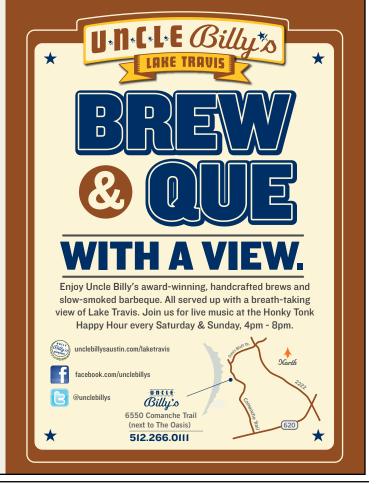
These orchids are micro-heterotrophic, which describes a plant that gets some or all of its food from parasitism on fungi rather than from photosynthesis. Most Hexalectris orchids have only been discovered and studied in the last fifty years. They depend heavily on an extremely delicate balance of environmental factors, which means they are not always observed every year, and it makes them impossible to transplant from the wild.

In our area, April through August is the best time to spot the Spiked Crested Coralroot (Hexalectris spicata var. spicata). An uncommon orchid, it is most often found in the leaf litter on the wooded limestone hillsides and canyon slopes in oak-juniper habitats of the Edwards Plateau. Also called cock's comb or brunetta, the blooms of the Spiked Crested Coralroot grow on a tall, leafless, fleshy-pink stalk. Each bloom has creamy yellow petals and sepals striped with brownish-purple, and the central white lip is adorned with five to seven wavy crests of deep, royal purple.

Recently, the first record of the Giant or Largeflower Crested Coralroot (Hexalectris grandiflora) was discovered in the Balcones Canyonlands Preserve in Travis County. Previously thought only to grow in the Davis and Chisos Mountains of West Texas, the bright pink, leafless stalk of this species grows from 10 to 24 inches tall. Along the stalk, vivid pink flowers bloom with a white mark in the center of an elaborately shaped, three-lobed lip. This coralroot also

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flourishes in our oak-juniper woodlands, and is thought to bloom from June to September. Other common names for this beautiful wild orchid include Greenman's hexalectris or Greenman's cock's comb.

These unique wild woodland orchids are uncommon to rare in our area, and together they help define the true nature of the Texas Hill Country. Monitoring and preserving them is not only good for the sake of maintaining biological diversity and understanding changing environmental conditions, but for the future beauty of our ecoregion as well.

Send your nature-related questions to naturewatch@austin.rr.com and we'll do our best to answer them. If you enjoy reading these articles, look for our book, NatureWatch Austin, to be published by Texas A&M University Press in September 2011.





Spiked Crested Coralroot Giant or Largeflower

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Time: 11:00 AM Social - 12 Noon Luncheon

**Date:** June 15, 2011

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#### Enhancing business while giving to the community

After experiencing some life changing events, Laurie Loew created a business model focused on helping others and giving back to the community. She soon found out that she had created a "social" business, and was at the forefront of a new business model called "social entrepreneurship".

She was now being consulted by business owners and organizations on how businesses could become more "socially responsible". Helping others realize the benefits of giving – both personally and professionally – has become Laurie's passion.

Starting a business during a poor economic climate was not easy. Then there was the perception that the industry is largely self-serving. Laurie chose to focus on the opportunities and embarked on a mission to create value beyond the bottom line. In doing so, she created a business, which gives back to the community, thereby enriching the lives of those who are helped and a sense of satisfaction for herself for the good that comes from it.

Since she started this business, she has been able to donate over \$110,000 to the nonprofit community in less than three years. She is also the proud recipient of the 2010 Ethics in Business Award.

Laurie will share how she came upon this idea, how she put it in practice and what she has learned from doing this.





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## Know Your Investment Risks — and How to Respond

When you invest, you take some risks. While you can't totally avoid these risks, you can take steps to help reduce their impact and increase your comfort level. And the more comfortable you are with your investments, the easier it will be to follow a long-term strategy that can help you meet your goals.

Let's look at the most common types of risk related to investing, along with some suggestions on helping to reduce these risks:

Losing principal — This type of risk is most closely associated with investing. For example, when you purchase a stock, you know that its value could go up or down. If it drops below your purchase price, and you then sell your shares, you will lose some of your principal.

Your response — You can't eliminate the risk of losing principal, but by owning a mix of stocks, bonds, government securities and other types of investments, you can help reduce the impact of volatility on your portfolio. Keep in mind, though, that diversification, by itself, can't guarantee a profit or protect against loss.

Losing value when interest rates change — This type of risk primarily affects fixed-income investments, such as bonds. If you purchase a bond that pays, say, a 4% interest rate, and the market rate goes up to 5%, then the value of your bond will drop because

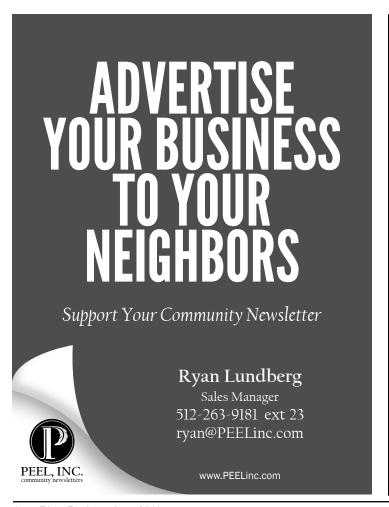
no one will be willing to pay you the full price for it when newer, higher-yielding bonds are available.

Your response — You can combat, or even ignore, interest rate risk by holding your bonds until they mature. By doing so, you'll get your full principal back, provided the issuer doesn't default, and you'll continue to receive regular interest payments unless the bonds are "called," or repurchased by the issuer. (You can help protect against this by purchasing bonds that have some degree of "call protection" and by owning bonds with different maturities.)

Losing purchasing power — This risk largely applies to fixed-rate investments such as certificates of deposit (CDs). To illustrate: If you purchase a CD that pays 2%, and the inflation rate is 3%, you are actually losing purchasing power.

Your response — Despite their vulnerability to inflation, CDs can offer you some valuable benefits, such as preservation of principal. Yet if you are concerned about fighting inflation, you may want to look for investments than have the potential to offer rising income, such as dividend-paying stocks. In fact, you can find stocks that have increased their dividends for many consecutive years. (Be aware,

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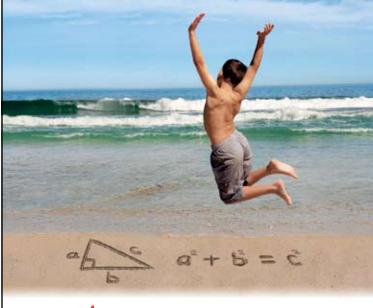
though, that companies can reduce or eliminate dividends at any time. Also, an investment in stocks fluctuates, and you could lose your principal.)

Apart from these individual techniques to reduce investment-related risk, you should also save early and save often — because the more money you accumulate, the greater your ability to follow a long-term strategy that reflects your personal risk tolerance. That's why

it's a good idea to contribute as much as possible over the years to your IRA and 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan.

By understanding the different types of investment risk, and by acting to help lessen them, you can reduce much of the stress sometimes associated with investing — while you increase your prospects for achieving your objectives.

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This is legal planning EVERY family needs, yet so many put off to think about another day.

STOP PROCRASTINATING! It is easy to get your family's legal plan in place in a smart way.

## SCHEDULE YOUR FAMILY LEGAL PLANNING SESSION TODAY (a \$550 value for only \$50!)



It's a true working meeting where we discuss your specific family situation and goals. You'll complete some information prior to our meeting, and in about a half hour, you'll know what it takes to properly protect your family and what the flat fee would be for us to develop your legal plan.

If you are ready to proceed, in about two hours, you can have your family's legal plan designed with your family's goals and values. And while timing will vary depending on your specific needs, you could have a smart legal family plan for your estate within a couple weeks.

Family Legal Planning Sessions are offered limited times each month and they do fill up, so don't procrastinate!

## Seven Business Networking Groups in the Area

Are you looking to grow your business in 2011? If so, you might be interested in a few of the business networking groups in the area. These are a few to choose from:

#### STEINER RANCH REFERRALS BNI GROUP

Meetings are on Tuesday mornings from 8:00am to 9:30am at Hill Country Pasta House. Visitors are welcome! If you are interested please contact Elicia Rudberg at eliciarudberg@gmail.com for more information or visit www.BNIAustin.com.

#### **FOUR POINTS BNI**

Meetings are on Wednesday at lunch from 11:30am to 1:00pm at the River Place Country Club. Visitors are welcome! If you are interested please contact Amy Oehler at amy.oehler@unitedlendingusa.com or visit www.BNIAustin.com.

#### FOUR POINTS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Four Points Chamber of Commerce provides networking opportunities at social gatherings, luncheons with guest speakers and activities. The Chamber brings businesses together along highway 620 from Hudson Bend to Anderson Mill and Ranch Road 2222 from Jester to Volente. Four Points Chamber supports business growth in the community where we live, work and play. In less than 6 months

Four Points Chamber of Commerce exceeded its first year membership goals and continues to grow! For information about participating in upcoming events or membership benefits visit www.fourpointschamber. com or call (512) 551-0390. Membership inquiries may also be sent directly to membership@FourPointsChamber.com.

#### A BUSINESS REFERRAL GROUP MADE FUN!

Networking Northwest Austin is expanding its member base of businesses in our area. NWNWA members build close business and personal relationships. We believe in business by referrals and having a limited member base (not duplicating professions), so you will not see your competitors here. We have a caring, positive, involved group of people who not only wish to build their business, but also want to build the strength of our networking group. NWNWA is updating its meeting times. Call Rich Keith, President, for information. RKeith@primerica.com, (512) 632-0162, or visit http://www.meetup.com/NetWorking-NorthWest-Austin/

#### YOUR LOCAL CITY

Steiner Ranch has a new business networking group. Your Local City is a positive, membership based, business networking

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organization with 17 groups meeting all over the Austin area. The Steiner Ranch group meets every Friday at 8:00 am at Lakeside Pizza and Grill located in the Shops at Steiner Ranch at Steiner Ranch Blvd. and Quinlan. Come join us to grow your business.

#### LAKEWAY NETWORKING, INC.

We are a diverse group of business professionals in the Lake Travis area, helping our members to grow their businesses through qualified referrals. We meet every Wednesday at 8AM at Johnny Fins, located at 16405 Clara Van Street, in Lakeway. Come visit us and see how your business can benefit by being a member of Lakeway Networking. For more information, please contact Kelly Connor at Kellyconnor@austin.rr.com or 512-736-2495.

#### **TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL -**

Ready to take your public speaking and leadership skills to the next level in a fun and friendly environment? Get up 'n Go Toastmasters can help you achieve your goals! We meet Monday's from 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM at the Waterloo Ice House located at the corner of 2222 and 360. Guests are always welcome. For more information, visit www.atxtoastmasters.org or contact Rob Carruthers at 512-422-1688.









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## **JOIN US IN GETTING READY FOR** A SAFE SUMMER IN THE WATER!

#### June 14th

June 26th

**World's Largest Swim Lesson at Schlitterbahn Waterpark** in New Braunfels.

Join Colin's Hope as we partner with Schlitterbahn to try and break the world record for the World's Largest Swim Lesson on Tuesday, June 14th. Visit www.Schlitterbahn.com for more information.

Open Water Swim benefits Colin's Hope
Splash into Lake Travis for the Red Licorice Events Open Water Swim at the Mansfield Dam on June 26. The swim benefits Colin's Hope and you can choose from 800m, 1.2 mile or 2.4 mile options. Visit www.redlicoriceevents.com for more information.

#### August 27th & 28th **3rd Annual Colin's Hope Kids Triathlon**

Athletes ages 5-15, mark your calendars for August 27th & 28th. Our Kids Triathlon will once again take place in the Lake Pointe neighborhood. Registration opens in early June and will fill up very quickly! www.colinshope.org

Children who drown often do not

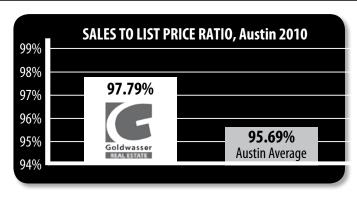
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They can silently slip beneath the water, even with adults & lifeguards present.

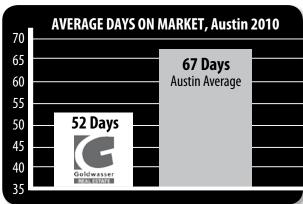






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