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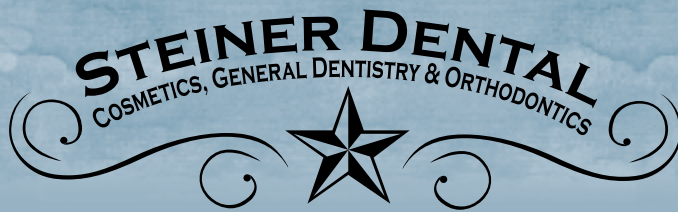
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RED DIAMONDS SOFTBALL

The Lake Travis Red Diamonds recently earned Championship honors in a 10u Blue Santa Softball Tournament in Georgetown, TX on Nov. 12, by placing 1st among competing area Central Texas teams. All nine girls gave an outstanding performance. The Georgetown Blue Santa Softball Tournament was co-sponsored by the Georgetown Youth Association Softball League and the Georgetown Police Department in a drive to collect toys for the holiday season. Members and coaches of the Championship team include:

(front row) Emma Parker, Caterina Reed, Kaitlyn Schoonmaker, Jami Watson, Cambria Fromel;
(back row) Coach Mike Reed, Joahna Ortiz, Sydney Piwonka, Jessica Day, Jessica Morgan, Coach Donna Day, and Coach Dee Morgan.



Around Lakeway

Lakeway Veterans' Day

event outgrowing venue at Heritage Center

At a not-so-typical Veterans' Day event in Lakeway this year, the configuration of the venue shifted from the Spirit of Freedom Monument area to the Heritage Center parking lot in order to accommodate more spectators, and included the Lake Travis High School Choir that has essentially doubled in numbers since last year, now with thirty-six members. Held traditionally at 11 a.m. on November 11th each year, all of the seats were filled to standing-room-only, with an estimated total attendance of nearly 400 – not too bad for a day that, also traditionally, is not a recognized holiday for schools and most businesses, regardless of the day on which it falls.

Highlighting the event was guest speaker, and Lakeway resident, retired Air Force Major General Rod Kelly, who spoke eloquently about his experiences at the Pentagon in Washington, DC on September 11, 2001. A surprise participant was the un-programmed appearance of Lakeway Police dispatcher Mike Olsen, who was in full bag-piper regalia as he performed two stanzas of Amazing Grace, and slowly marched respectfully through the seating area and exited beyond the Spirit of Freedom monument into the oak tree filled park.

Following the traditional presentation of the wreath at the World War II obelisk by Lakeway resident and Army Lieutenant Colonel Kristine Shelstad, and during the military service medley music performed by the Lake Travis High School band and choir, a veteran dressed in the uniform of his service – representing the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Air Force - marched down the center isle carrying the flag of his service, which was placed in a flag-stand behind the guests of honor.

According to Lake Travis High School Band Director, Kenny Vise, and following a week filled with band completion events and football games, he recommended to his students that only his most senior band members participate during the Lakeway Veterans' Day ceremonies due to limited rehearsal time. Nonetheless, many of the first-year students pleaded to play because of the historically positive reputation the event has with the high school student body and faculty. As such, fifty of the 150 Cavalier Marching Band members participated.

The Lake Travis High School Cavaliers recently placed fifth out of twenty-four high schools while participating in the Texas State High School Marching Band competition in San Antonio on Tuesday, followed by their football game against McCallum Thursday, and then up early on Friday to perform for Lakeway's annual Veterans' Day event.

The community of Lakeway should be proud of the energy and enthusiasm displayed by these fine young men and women. Their performance clearly adds to the spirit and patriotism that has been exhibited during Veterans' Day ceremonies in Lakeway for over a decade. Notably, a former band member who is now a student at UT Austin, returned to Lakeway this year especially for this event. This dedication should not go unnoticed. November 11, 2011 at 11 a.m. in Lakeway will long be remembered.

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Celebrate the Holidays with **Lake Travis Community Library**

The entire community is invited to attend a special Holiday Story Time on Thursday, December 15th at 6:15 p.m. at Lake Travis Community Library. This popular event includes stories, a holiday sing-along, crafts, refreshments, and a special guest.

"Last year's holiday story time was by far one of my favorite events of the season," said Lake Travis Community Library Director Morgan McMillian. "All one hundred of us sang "Deck the Halls" and "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" together and it was a magical musical moment. The evening promises to be full of holiday spirit!"

During this holiday season, the library can also help with your shopping list! Buy a brick for that hard-to-shop-for person to be located at the new Lake Travis Community Library building. There are three different sizes of bricks available starting at a \$125 donation. Inscriptions can be personalized and gift receipts will be sent to recipients. Complete your shopping list and help the library at the same time!

Please contact the library for more information at (512) 263-2885 or www.laketravislibrary.org. We look forward to seeing you at the library!

*Submitted by Lake Travis Community Library Director
Morgan McMillian*

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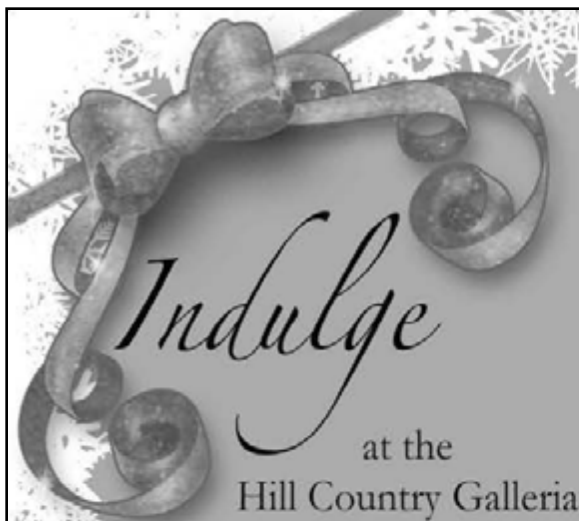
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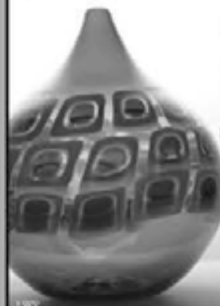
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The one hour program for two pianos will include light classics by Schubert, Brahms, Liszt, Milhaud, Benjamin and Debussy. It will conclude with a series of selections from Tchaikowski's The Nutcracker Suite arranged for two pianos by Economou.

Dr. Maxine Gomes earned piano performance degrees from the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston and New York University. She pursued a dual career in New York for many years as a music teacher and solo pianist giving numerous recitals and FM radio broadcasts on Long Island and New York City. After earning a Professional Diploma in Administration, Maxine took a hiatus from music and had a career in school administration on Long Island, New York. Maxine and her husband Peter retired to The Hills where she divides her time between music, tennis, and a bit of golf.

Carolyn Hatcher McCulloch began piano study at an early age in Charleston, WV. She attended Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Interlochen Summer Music Camp, and received a B.M.E. degree from West Virginia University. Carolyn was an active teacher of solo and group piano lessons for many years, with award winning students.

She founded KHMTA in 1978 with a ten piano program. Over many years, Carolyn has performed solo recitals, served as accompanist for soloists, choirs and musicales, and continues performing in the Austin community.

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These gifts will be delivered to underprivileged children by the Green Santa committee at Christmas time to help provide them a merrier Christmas. If you are unable to attend the show, a box will be placed in the Lakeway Activity Center lobby where you can drop off your gifts anytime between Thanksgiving and show time.

The Sing Alongs are a group of 80 men and women from the Lakeway area that love to perform and have become very popular. You won't want to miss this show. It is suggested that you come early in order to get a good seat.

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OCT 12: ACE OF THE MONTH, LIVE OAK

Ace of the Month is Mary Barnes, 69

- 1st Flight: 1st Place: Maxie Scott, 69
2nd Place: Neisy McDonough, 72
- 2nd Flight: 1st Place: Karina Williams, 70
2nd Place: Janis Campbell, 70
- 3rd Flight: 1st Place: Jean Lockhart, 71
2nd Place: Betsy Frost, 71
- Low Putts: 28 Betsy Frost
- Chip Ins: #2 Carol Novak, #6 June Moore, #11 June Moore,
#14 Lynda Meyer, #16 Karina Williams

OCT 19: THROW OUT 2 WORST HOLES, LIVE OAK

- 1st Flight: 1st Place: Neisy McDonough, 60
2nd Place: Melonie Mills, 61
- 2nd Flight: 1st Place: Diane Tomlinson, 62
2nd Place: Audrey Horn, 62
- 3rd Flight: 1st Place: Sue Bartosh, 52
2nd Place: Betsy Frost, 59
- Low Putts: 29 Sue Bartosh & Neisy McDonough
- Chip Ins: #8 Jody McMahon, #11 Neisy McDonough

OCT 26: HALLOWEEN, LIVE OAK

Another year for Carol English to show off her creativity and inventiveness!

Thank you Carol for always doing such a nice job with this tournament.

- 1st Place: Neisy McDonough, Wendy Gaertner, Karla Castriotta, Marie Rush, 68
- 2nd Place: Sandy Nees, Patti Lasswell, Jody McMahon, Sharon Rogers, 73

NOV 2: ACE OF THE MONTH, LIVE OAK

Ace of the Month is Janis Campbell (66)

- 1st Flight: 1st Place: Melonie Mills, 73
2nd Place: CiCi Ely, 75
- 2nd Flight: 1st Place: Diane Tomlinson, 676
2nd Place: Karina Williams, 69
- 3rd Flight: 1st Place: Jane Froeschle, 74
2nd Place: Betsy Frost, 75
- Low Putts: 28 Lynda Meyer, Betty Monzingo, Karina Williams
- Chip Ins: #6 Patti Lasswell, #9 Lynda Meyer, #10 Marie Rush,
#17 Neisy McDonough & Margaret Reese

Submitted By: Paula Crawley, Publicity Chair

Lakeway Nine Hole Ladies Golf Lakeway Country Club

Activities and results for October:

October 5th – Lakeway Country Club Rally for the Cure- Yaupon
The Lakeway Ladies Nine Hole group participated in the annual
Lakeway Country Club Rally for the Cure. There were 88
participants from various clubs in the Austin area. A luncheon
followed at The Hills. Hostesses for the event were Vivian Craft
and Karen Eisle. Over \$5,000 was raised. Thanks to all participants
and to the hostesses.

First Prize Winners Neisy McDonough, Joy Pashby, Charlotte
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Second Prize Winners Monica Daniel, Mondie McFaddin,
Nancy Buel and Jessie Silianoff

Longest Drive: Paula Crawley

Straightest Drive: Sheila Sommer

OCTOBER 12TH: INDIVIDUAL PLAY YAUPON

Robin Hargadon - Ace of the Month

First Flight: 1st place - Nancy Paquin
2nd place - Sandy Walsh
3rd place - Lenora Hyche

Second Flight: 1st place - Judy Donohue
2nd place - Barbara Roberts
3rd place - Vivian Craft

Third Flight: 1st Place - Dorothy Boddeker
2nd Place - Carol Smith
3rd Place - Margaret Myers

Low Putts: Lenora Hyche & Nancy Paquin 14

Chip-Ins: None

50 and under: None

55 & Under: Nancy Paquin 54; Lenora Hyche 52; Sandy
Walsh 53; Judy Donohue 52

OCTOBER 19TH - YAUPON - 1ST ANNUAL NINE HOLERS MEMBER-MEMBER TOURNAMENT

Putting Contest prior to play won by Margaret Myers.

A luncheon followed play at Rocco's. A wonderful event hosted by
Judy Donohue- great gifts, great food, great ladies and a great time.

First Place: Cheryl Whaling & Nancy Gregor

Second Place: Dorothy Boddeker & Carol Bosse

Third Place: Billy Lynn Ratliff & Margie Neuenschwander

Closest to the pin on #3 Barbara Roberts

Longest drive on #2 Cheryl Whaling

(Continued on Page 14)



Lakeway's Big Band Bash Becoming a Regular Event!

On Monday, September 26, the City of Lakeway's Arts Committee hosted the first Lakeway Big Band Bash. It was a huge success. Over 250 people enjoyed dancing and listening to great big band music. Success brews repetition, so, beginning in January 2012, Lakeway's Big Band Bash will be a monthly event, on the second Monday of each month.

On Monday January 9, from 8 to 10 pm, the City of Lakeway's Big Band Bash will take place at the Lakeway Activity Center, 105 Cross Creek, tel. 261-1010. This free event (donations to the band will be encouraged) will have a large dance floor, with both theatre and table seating. Attendees may bring their own refreshments, if desired, as none will be provided. There are no reservations—doors will open at 7:30 p.m.

Well known singers, David Cummings and Lisa Clark, will be in front of The Republic of Texas Band. It is a 17- piece band, conducted by Kent Dugan. This band consistently draws crowds of dancers of many generations. Expect to hear favorite tunes (with fresh arrangements) from the big band era, including songs made famous by crooners such as Frank Sinatra, Bobby Darin, Dean Martin, Ella Fitzgerald and Billie Holiday.

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Beer Pairing: Hop Zombie

LEMON-CRANBERRY COBBLER

Beer Pairing: Coffee Porter

Around Lakeway

Lakeway Ladies Golf Group- (Continued from Page 12)

OCTOBER 26TH - LIVE OAK - INTERCLUB PLAY WITH HORSESHOE BAY LADIES NINE HOLERS

Lunch followed at The Hills hosted by Barbara Roberts.

First Place: Lynda Jones, Colleen DeVere, Nancy Gregor and Gie Walker

Second Place: Vivian Craft, Carol Smith, Darlene Bowles and Mondie McFaddin

Third Place: Nancy Wells, Margaret Myers, Judy Connor and Tricia Clements

*Submitted by,
Sandra McCullough, Secretary*



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Lakeway and Bee Cave Card Sharks

Submitted by Danielle Wilson

You are invited to join the Card Sharks, a social group that enjoys playing card games. We play games such as Canasta, Hand and Foot, Hearts, Phase 10, or anything that our members want to teach and share. The group is open to anyone in the Lakeway, Bee Cave, Dripping Springs, and Steiner Ranch areas. We meet weekly in the mornings, evenings, and on weekends. For more information, please visit our website: www.meetup.com/Lakeway-Bee-Cave-Card-Sharks

Lake Travis Toastmasters

Meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month at the Lakeway Activity Center: 105 Cross Creek.

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For more info, call Kay McManus at 431-8069, or Fay Crossett at 517-2737

Bee Cave and Lakeway Mom's Group

Welcome to the Bee Cave/Lakeway Mom's Meetup. The mother's in the group are primarily from Bee Cave, Lakeway, The Hills, Spicewood, Steiner Ranch, and City of Austin that surrounds those areas. This group is open to moms with small children (infants/waddlers/toddlers/preschoolers). This is a fun & supportive group that gets together and meets at local parks, play dates, coffee, lunch, field trips, mom's night out & even a book club. We are a fabulous group for those new in the area to make connections. Please join us! We are looking forward to meeting you soon! Please check out our website for more information: <http://www.meetup.com/Bee-Cave-Lakeway-mom-meetup/>

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Around Lakeway

Seton Tea

The Lakeway Associates of Seton Announce the "Seton Tea" The famous SETON TEA will take place Saturday, January 28th, 12:30pm at THE HILLS COUNTRY CLUB. Mark your calendars now in order to make your reservation for this delightful event. Local organizations, businesses and individuals design and decorate the tables. The tables showcase the most exquisite table-settings designed around a theme of their choosing. If you are only interested in designing a table or attending only, individual tickets will be available for \$30 per person which includes a delicious TRADITIONAL ENGLISH HIGH TEA. For more information call Nancy Clayton 267-7759.

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School News

Voters Approve \$158.5 Million Bond Referendum

With all Travis County results counted, Lake Travis Independent School District (LTISD) voters approved a \$158.5 million bond referendum that will fund the addition and expansion of school buildings; maintenance and repair of District facilities; and purchase of instructional resources, including technology.

According to Travis County elections officials, a total of 6,334 ballots were cast in the school bond election—57.77 percent 'For' and 42.23 percent 'Against.' The 2011 bond is LTISD's largest issue to date. Since 2004, Lake Travis voters have approved more than \$321.5 million in school bonds.

"Approval of this bond was critical to the long-term vitality of our exemplary Lake Travis community," said Jason Buddin, LTISD Board President. "We thank the members of our citizens' bond advisory committee for their due diligence and commitment to this referendum, and ultimately, we applaud our voters whose support clearly indicates this was indeed the right-sized bond at the right time."

As a result of the approved referendum, the estimated tax increase will be \$0.0924 for a total tax rate of \$1.4083 per \$100 of assessed property valuation. After state and local exemptions, passage of the bond election will represent an increase of approximately \$281.88

annually—or \$23.49 monthly—for the average LTISD homeowner. The 2011-2012 anticipated average market value of a residence in Lake Travis ISD is approximately \$400,000. Residents who have received an 'Over-65 Exemption' or 'freeze' from the Travis County Appraisal District will incur no tax impact.

In a unanimous 7-0 vote, the LTISD Board of Trustees approved an order calling for the election nearly six months ago upon recommendation by a 27-member citizens' advisory committee. The 2011 bond program components include construction of a new elementary school and new Lake Travis Middle School; the expansion of Lake Travis High School into the current Lake Travis Middle School campus; the expansion of Hudson Bend Middle School; upgrades for existing facilities; and district-wide improvements.

"This bond will allow us to accommodate the continued increase in student enrollment in our district," said Susan Bohn, LTISD Interim Superintendent. "We are committed to ensuring that the projects in the bond are well-built and completed in a timely and fiscally responsible manner."

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The Lake Travis Education Foundation's 2012 Casino Royale Gala will be held Saturday, February 25th at the Renaissance Austin Hotel. This annual gala offers dining, dancing, live and silent auctions, casino games, and outrageous entertainment by Suede.

Last year's event sold out 4 months in advance ... don't be left out this year! Sponsorship benefits include reserved tables, Renaissance hotel rooms, invitations to the Pre-Gala VIP Party, and marketing opportunities. Non-sponsor reserved tables are also now available on a first come, first served basis.

Proceeds benefit the students and teachers of the Lake Travis ISD. To date, LTEF has awarded more than \$2.6 million to our teachers and students, and your support through events such as the annual gala makes future funding possible. For sponsorship information or to reserve a table, visit www.LakeTravisEducationFoundation.org/gala.htm or call 533-6095.



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School News

Board Names Superintendent Finalist

In a unanimous 7-0 vote, the Lake Travis Independent School District (LTISD) Board of Trustees named Brad Lancaster, Ed.D. as sole finalist in its search for a permanent superintendent. The action was taken at a special called Board meeting held Wednesday, November 9 at the District's Educational Development Center.

Dr. Lancaster presently serves as superintendent of the Midway Independent School District (MISD). The District is comprised of the municipalities of Hewitt and Woodway; portions of Waco, Crawford, Lorena, McGregor, and Robinson; as well as unincorporated McLennan County in Central Texas.

During Dr. Lancaster's tenure at MISD, the District's enrollment grew by 18 percent, from 6,087 students to 7,158 students. The 2008 voter-approved bond of \$75.8 million responded to the increase in enrollment by adding 298,448 square feet in district facilities, including two new schools.

Dr. Lancaster is credited with bringing MISD from a Texas Education Agency (TEA) Acceptable rating to Recognized—falling short only three points from Exemplary in 2010. Additionally, Midway garnered state championships in volleyball (2007-08), girls' basketball (2008-09) and softball (2009-10), as well as state gold medals in tennis (2010 and 2011), swimming (2010 and 2011), and track and field (2011). Collectively, the District's successful academic, fine arts and athletics programs have placed Midway High School



in the UIL's Lone Star Cup top 10 schools in Texas for four straight years, placing second twice. MISD was also recognized as one of six state finalists for the HEB Excellence in Education Awards earlier this spring.

A former teacher, assistant principal, principal, executive director for curriculum, and assistant superintendent in the College Station, Ennis, and Allen school districts, Dr. Lancaster earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Secondary Education from Baylor University as well as Master of Science in Educational Administration and Doctorate of Education degrees from Texas A&M University in College Station. He currently serves on the TEA Commissioner's Cabinet of Superintendents, the Fast Growth Schools Coalition, and the Texas Association of School Administrators'

Legislative Services Committee, among others. Dr. Lancaster and his wife Karen have two children, Julia and Will.

Texas law requires the Board to allow at least 21 days between the time a finalist is announced and an employment contract is offered and accepted.

Susan Bohn has served as Interim Superintendent upon the resignation of Dr. Rocky Kirk in early July. Since that time, the firm of School Executive Consulting, Inc. has assisted the LTISD Board with an exhaustive search for a permanent superintendent.

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Amy Neal Volleyball (Photo 1)

LTHS student-athlete Amy Neal signs a letter of intent to play volleyball for the University of Texas at Austin. She is pictured with LTHS Volleyball Head Coach Jennifer Kazmierski.

Cassie Wang Volleyball (Photo 2)

LTHS student-athlete Cassie Wang signs a letter of intent to play volleyball for Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. She is pictured with LTHS Volleyball Head Coach Jennifer Kazmierski.

Gabby Bienkowski (Photo 3)

LTHS student-athlete Gabby Bienkowski signs a letter of intent to play volleyball for Great Falls University in Great Falls, Montana. She is pictured with LTHS Volleyball Head Coach Jennifer Kazmierski.

Kaci Eaton Volleyball (Photo 4)

LTHS student-athlete Kaci Eaton signs a letter of intent to play volleyball for the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas. She is pictured with LTHS Volleyball Head Coach Jennifer Kazmierski.

Katy Beals Volleyball (Photo 5)

LTHS student-athlete Katy Beals signs a letter of intent to play volleyball for the University of Washington in Seattle, Washington.

Mackenzie Mayo Volleyball (Photo 6)

LTHS student-athlete Mackenzie Mayo signs a letter of intent to play volleyball for Baylor University in Waco, Texas.

Sierra Patrick Volleyball (Photo 7)

LTHS student-athlete Sierra Patrick signs a letter of intent to play volleyball for Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas. She is pictured with LTHS Volleyball Head Coach and Aggie Alumni Jennifer Kazmierski.

Piper Toller Volleyball (Photo 8)

LTHS student-athlete Piper Toller verbally commits to play volleyball for Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, Texas. She is pictured with LTHS Volleyball Head Coach Jennifer Kazmierski.

Phillip Orr Baseball (Photo 9)

LTHS student-athlete Phillip Orr signs a letter of intent to play baseball for Dallas Baptist University. He is pictured with LTHS Baseball Head Coach Roy Kinnan.



Business Section

Lions Club

Local dogs and their owners show support at the lake travis lions club 9th annual halloween charity dog walk

Submitted by Jan Johnson

Every size and breed of dog imaginable showed up Saturday morning October 29th at Lakeway City Park to participate in the Charity Dog Walk. Many tails were wagging since they knew the funds raised from this event go to the Leaders Dogs for the Blind program and the Lions Club's local program which gives free eye exams and eyeglasses to needy LTISD students.

Dennis Kraft was in attendance with his Leader Dog "Scout". Dennis gave a short presentation to the Dog Walk participants to let them know how important their support is to raise money for Leader Dogs which enhance mobility and independence for people who are blind or visually impaired. The Lions Club founded the Leader Dogs for the Blind program in 1939. The school provides classes on learning to travel safely with a cane, and using a Leader Dog for orientation and mobility. People come from all over the world to attend the school and services are provided free of charge!

For more information visit www.leaderdog.org

After the leisurely dog walk around the Lakeway City Park trail, the judges were ready to take a good look at the many pooches that went all out to dress up for the event in their Halloween attire, and get down to the business of awarding some prizes. So many great doggie costumes for the judges to choose from, but picking Abby in the lobster pot for first prize was an easy decision! Local sponsors of the event provided gift bags for participants and prizes for all the winners.

The Lake Travis Lions Club would like to thank all the generous community sponsors and supporters of this important and fun charity event. Please visit us on Facebook or www.laketralvislions.org for more information about the Lions Club and how we serve our community.



Lake Travis Toastmasters Club

On November first, the Lake Travis Toastmasters (LTTM) had a conjoined meeting with Dripping Springs Toastmasters for an Open House and 10th year celebration. It was a fun evening of speeches, great food and meeting new friends.

There was a large turnout with 31 people that included 4 guests from other Toastmaster clubs and 8 visitors. The Dripping Springs club came in full force to participate and support all the evening's presenters.

The theme was "Dare to Communicate, Dare to Lead." Our Toastmaster for the evening invited our guests to join Toastmasters using the three date test -- come to three meetings so you can see why LTTM is the club for you. Which of course we are!!!

One speaker shared challenges he faced in his life, and the other his passion for sailing.

Table Topics is always an entertaining quick round of opinions to enhance our theme for the evening with challenging thoughts on communication and leadership.

No Toastmasters meeting is complete without the evaluators which gave an insightful feedback on the speakers' speeches. And special gratitude is extended to all the other participants who counted the votes, counted the "Ahs," the word of the day and timed the speeches -- we could not do it without you.

Winners of the raffle held on October 22nd at the Lakeway Public Safety Day and Bike Rodeo were:

Leslie Stark, First Prize winner of a \$25 gift card from the Sears store in Lakeway donated by Greg White, Sears manager.

Harmony Edwards, Second Prize winner of a 15% discount on an Intellibed.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this an entertaining and enlightening evening. We look forward to sharing more meetings with our Dripping Springs colleagues.

Everyone is welcome back for our regular monthly meetings.

Visit the Lake Travis: <http://laketralvis.freetoasthost.org/index.html> for more info.

Cathleen McGrath

Lake Travis Toastmasters President



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make sure the system will not try to run during a freeze. If the system runs, it could cause layers of ice to form on your plants and damage them.

Residents who have systems equipped with above ground backflow prevention (Reduced Pressure Zone devices [RPZ]) must make sure equipment is protected from freezing. Most people know that the side pipes need to be wrapped with insulation, however, the valve itself is located in the center, and is

susceptible to freezing also. Because these devices drain water from the bottom of the valve and therefore cannot be fully wrapped, the best way to protect them is with an open bottom RPZ insulated pouch which simply slips over the top of the entire device and attaches to the ground with some small stakes. Adding a layer of mulch around the base of the pouch will help seal off wind.

For additional protection, an insulated box can be placed over the pouched device with another layer of mulch at the base. These pouches and artificial backflow enclosures can be made or purchased locally. Insulating boxes may also be purchased in the form of various decorative faux rocks which can be left in place year round. With this system in place, your RPZ valve is protected from freezing weather and can operate normally whenever you run your irrigation system.

If you don't have an insulated pouch or box and freezing weather is predicted, turn off your irrigation system and lightly wrap your RPZ in an old towel or blanket. (Tightly wrapping the blanket eliminates the air gap between the blanket/towel and the device and leaves the device vulnerable to cold wind.) Use tape or string to tie the towels or blanket in place. When the weather warms up and you are ready to irrigate again, remove the blanket. It is important to remember not to block the drain port at the bottom of the device when you are irrigating.

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To register, people are asked to go to the Capital Area Council of Governments' website at wireless.capcog.org.

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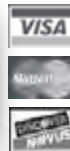
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Renowned billionaire Red McCombs, has the luxury of being able to live anywhere in the world, yet when

partner, Hal Jones, showed him the land that is now The Reserve at Lake Travis, he knew he would make a home here. "I took one look and realized this land has a DNA like no other," said McCombs. "It's a truly spectacular piece of property, which my family and I now enjoy immensely." Together, Hal Jones Development and McCombs Properties have built a community on the south shores of Lake Travis that rivals any 5-star resort in the country and that was recently awarded Best Overall Community 2011 by the Greater Austin Home Builder's Association.

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service equestrian center and a private lake club, The Reserve offers members the ultimate in luxury living – family style. "We wanted to build a community that generations of family members can enjoy. Whether you love boating, horseback riding or just admiring a spectacular

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