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This month's cover photo was submitted by Karen Broaddus of her girls enjoying a Fall afternoon by the water. To view other photos submitted please visit www.PEELinc.com/Lakeway, and view any of the past newsletters.

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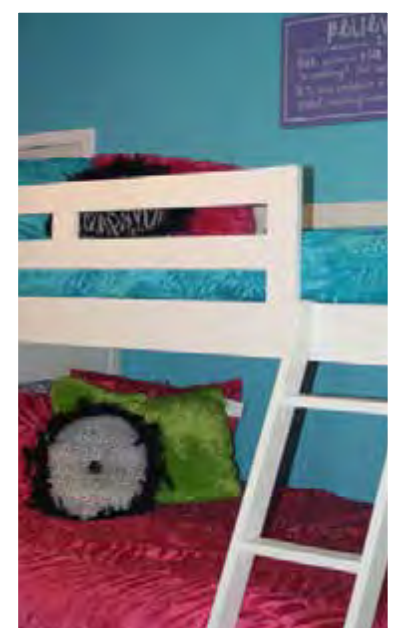
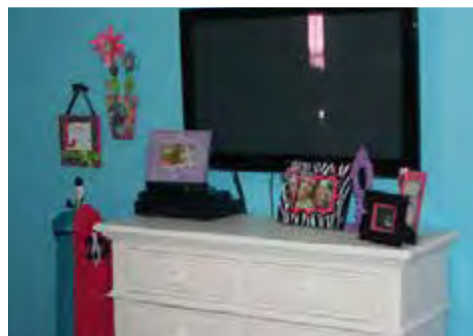
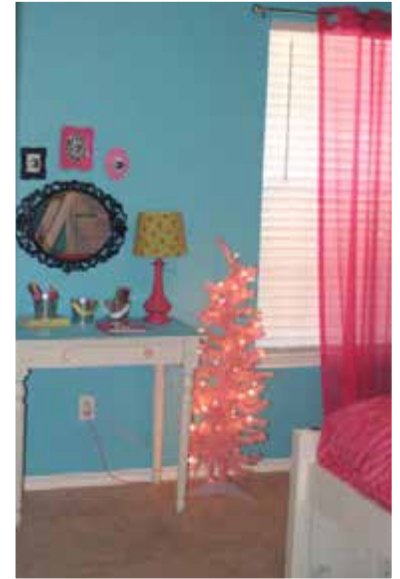
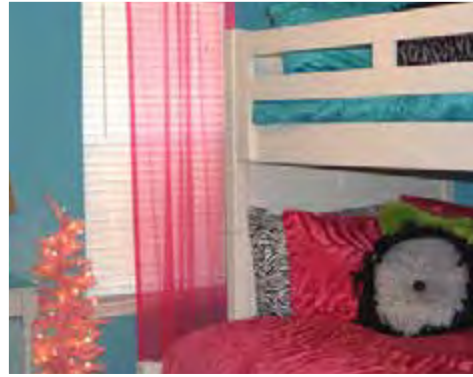
Submitted by Jenny Kline

A group of Bee Cave residents worked to make this Christmas a little more special for a 9-year-old Lakeway girl who has been battling a brain tumor since she was 18 months old. Torrence McClead, a Serene Hills Elementary school student, found out this year that she had relapsed with this ravaging cancer for the 5th time. Once the group learned that the McClead family recently purchased a new home, they came up with the perfect way to help. They would create a colorful and relaxing haven for Torrence and her 7-year-old sister, Reagan, also a SHE student, by furnishing and decorating the bedroom, bathroom and playroom.

In less than a month, the group of friends raised nearly \$3,000 for paint, new furniture, curtains, toys and decorations for the rooms. Toys, including two brand new American Girl dolls, and decorative items were also collected. And many hours of volunteer work were donated by various community residents to paint, hang blinds, deliver and set up furniture, shop and decorate.

Jenny Kline, whose 9-year-old son has battled Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia since last December, spearheaded the effort. She said, "The outpouring of love and support that we received from the Lake Travis community during this past year was unbelievable. Now that things are going a little more smoothly for Andrew, it was time for us to give back to this community that had given so much to us. Tracie McClead reached out to me right after Andrew was diagnosed. When I heard that Torrence had relapsed again, I knew that I had to find a way to help this wonderful family who has lived a nightmare that most people can't even begin to imagine. That's when I approached my friends about helping me with this project."

The other committee members who helped coordinate this project, all Falconhead West residents, include Julie Flores, Stephanie Cardarella, Michelle Ellisor, Janice Fluker, Marlys Pietri, Jen Smith, Tracey Kane, Laurie Pascoe, Christy Cook, Kara King, Kelly Clark, Julia Russo and Kari Coons.



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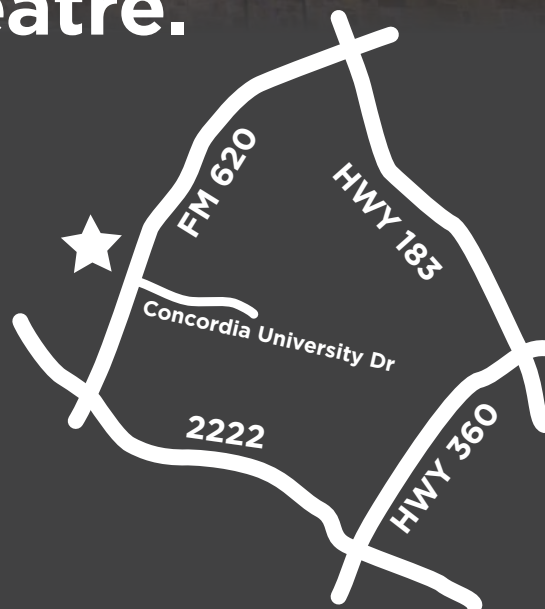
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LTlov's 2012 Green Santa Collection



Don Rucker Tile & Wheel spread the love of Christmas to LTlov for Lake Travis Green Santa. Left: Emilio Arriaga, right: manager Donnie Lewis



Members of the LTHS Lady Cavs freshman, JV and Varsity basketball teams donated 100 gifts to Lake Travis Green Santa through LTlov.



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PASS THE LOVE

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A SECOND YEAR FOR LAKEWAY'S BIG BAND BASH



Lakeway Big Band Bash continues into its second year on Monday, January 7, from 8 to 10 p.m. This free public event (donations to the band are encouraged) is hosted by the City of Lakeway's Arts Committee at the Lakeway Activity Center, 105 Cross Creek in Lakeway, telephone 261-1010.

Kent Dugan's 17-piece Republic of Texas Big Band, plus singers David Cummings and Lisa Clark, keep the joint jumping with music of the Sinatra era. While there are many good dancers, the floor is large enough to accommodate those who are just getting into ballroom dancing. If you are looking for really good live big band music either to dance to or listen, this is the place to be.

Polish your shoes and come out to have a great evening of dancing or listening. Bring your own refreshments, as none are provided.



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JANUARY 2, 2013

NO PROGRAM

JANUARY 9, 2013

Luba Ruzicka, Lakeway Resident

Life behind the iron curtain

JANUARY 16, 2013

Gary Blecher & Kristi Kirk, Concordia University

The future of the American University

JANUARY 23, 2013

Jackie Verdoorn, Hill Country Care Providers

Understanding Alzheimer's and Other Dementias

JANUARY 30, 2013

Todd Radford, Lakeway Police Chief

2013 update on Police



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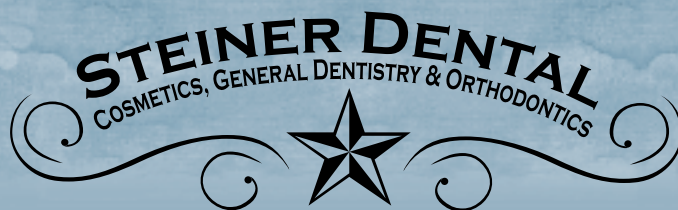
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AUTHORS CYNTHIA J. STONE AND LARA REZNIK TO PRESENT AT WRITERS' MEETING

Lake Travis Fiction Writers will host area authors Cynthia J. Stone and "Lara Reznik" on Tuesday, Jan. 22, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Lakeway Activity Center. The two will speak on the topic, "Writing a Synopsis for Agents and Editors."

Lakeway resident Laura Resnick Chavez ("Lara Reznik" nom de plume) studied in New Mexico with notable authors Rudolfo Anaya and Tony Hillerman. After relocating to Austin, Reznik wrote and optioned three screenplays and recently published a novel titled *The Girl from Long Guyland*. She partners with Cynthia Stone in their new enterprise, Violet Crown Publishers, a micro-press that provides services to independent authors.

Austinite Cynthia Stone says she wrote her first story at age five and has indulged that Muse ever since. Her career includes magazine publishing, copy writing and professional fundraising, but her first novel *Mason's Daughter* debuted in September. In addition, Stone heads up Violet Crown Publishers.

Group moderator Pat Evans expects a big turnout. "Interested writers should reserve space early. We have about 50 members, including best-selling authors, self-published writers and beginners, although the programs are designed for working writers at all levels,"



Evans says. She formed the group last fall to provide support and camaraderie to Lake Travis-area novelists like herself. The group is sponsored by the Bee Cave Public Library.

To reserve space, e-mail AustinWriterGirl@yahoo.com. An optional \$5 donation is requested to cover room rental, materials and refreshments. For information, see laketravisfictionwriters.blogspot.com.



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Jan. 9 - Lunch Bunch at Gumbo's - Car pool from LAC at 11:30 - Call Judy Prim at 608-6853

Jan. 11 - Game Night - Call Jo Kirk at 261-7703 for Pao's at 5:15 or Diane Hafley at 494-5413 for The Pasta House at 5 pm - Games at LAC at 7 pm - Please call Diane if you wish to dine out.

Jan. 14 - Mah Jong at Fore at 6:30 - Happy hour for drinks and burgers at 5:30 before games - Call Diane Smith at 261-6497

Jan. 18 - Our annual January Social Soup Supper at LAC - Mail checks of \$5 to Solo's, 303 Copperleaf Rd, Lakeway TX 78734 - Checks must be received by Jan. 11 - Doors open at 5:30 - BYOB - Come and hear what is being planned for the coming year!

Jan. 23 - Dining out at Jack Allen's - Car pool from LAC at 5 pm - Call Mary Conley at 261-5618 for reservations - Gas est. \$2.

Jan. 28 - Mah Jong at LAC at 6:30 to 9 pm - If you have a game set please bring it.

Don't forget the brown bag lunches at LAC every Thursday during January and February, starting the 10th of January from noon to 1 pm.

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NOVEMBER 7TH – ACE OF THE MONTH (LIVE OAK) – CHERYL WHALING *ACE*

First Flight

1st Place – Lenora Hyche
2nd Place – Sue Combs
3rd Place – Judy Donohue

Second Flight

1st Place – Karen Vaughan
2nd Place – Barbara Roberts
3rd Place – Pam Smith

Third Flight

1st Place – Sandra McCullough
2nd Place – Gail Bowman
3rd Place – Nancy Gregor

55 & Under: Carlene Denman – 55, Lorin Buchhorn – 55, Sue Combs – 54, Kay Beck – 54, Cheryl Whaling – 51

Chip Ins: Joyce Johnson, Margaret Myers, Gail Bowman, Dorothy Boddeker

Low Putts: Diane Jones - 12

NOVEMBER 14TH – TURKEY SHOOT (YAUPON)

1st Place – Judy Donohue, Deane Willis, Colleen Devere - 40
2nd Place – Lorin Buchhorn, Nancy Conte, Nancy Gregor, Margaret

Myers- 41

3rd Place – Nancy Paquin, Diana Hall, Dorothy Boddeker, Sandra McCullough - 43

NOVEMBER 28TH – INDIVIDUAL PLAY (YAUPON)

First Flight

1st Place – Sandy Walsh
2nd Place – Judy Donohue
3rd Place – Cheryl Whaling

Second Flight

1st Place – Diana Hall
2nd Place – Deane Willis
3rd Place – Carol Bosse

Third Flight

1st Place – Beverly Burmeier
2nd Place – Pam Smith
3rd Place – Robin Hargadon

50 & Under: Sandy Walsh - 45

55 & Under: Cheryl Whaling – 51, Nancy Paquin – 55, Judy Donohue – 51

Chip Ins: Pam Smith - #7, Beverly Burmeier #1

Low Putts: Judy Donohue – 13

Submitted by Robin Hargadon, Secretary

18 HOLERS

NOV 28: INDIVIDUAL STABLEFORD, LIVE OAK

1st Flight:

1st Place: Patti Lasswell, 38
2nd Place: Paula Crawley, 34

2nd Flight:

1st Place: Sandee Phillips, 33
2nd Place: Rita Hietpas, 32

3rd Flight:

1st Place: Tere McKenna, 43
2nd Place: Jane Froeschle, 32
Low Putts: Karina Williams, 30

Chip ins: #4 Cathy Shoemaker, #5 Rita Hietpas, #12 Mary Conley, #14 Mary Conley, #17 Lynda Jones, #18 Kathy Skinner

DEC 5: ACE OF THE MONTH, LIVE OAK

Ace of the Month: Paula Crawley, 70

1st Flight:

1st Place: Patti Lasswell, 68

2nd Place: Sandy Nees, 69

2nd Flight:

1st Place: Cathy Shoemaker, 74
2nd Place: Carol Novak, 74

3rd Flight:

1st Place: Jane Froeschle, 71
2nd Place: Mary Conley, 76
Low Putts: 31 Paula Crawley & Sarah Hohner

Chip Ins: #9 Marie Rush, #12 Pat Huskinson, #15 Sandy Nees

DEC 12: ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY, THE HILLS WATERFALL ROOM

We enjoyed a delicious and festive luncheon at The Waterfall Room. Lakeway's own, The Wildflowers, entertained us with lovely Christmas carols. This was a combined luncheon for the 18 and 9 hole organizations. Our wonderful group of ladies contributed \$1000 to our favorite charity, Safe Place.

Submitted By Paula Crawley, Publicity Chair

LAKEWAY ANNOUNCES THE LINEUP FOR BROWN BAG LUNCHEON CONCERTS

Once again, the City of Lakeway's Arts & Beautification Committee is producing a series of free weekly concerts to brighten up the dreary days of January and February 2013. The concerts will be held at the Lakeway Activity Center, 105 Cross Creek, (telephone 261-1010) on Thursdays, beginning promptly at noon and ending at 1 p.m. They are open to everyone—no reservations or tickets. There is plenty of table seating. So, mark your calendars and plan to bring your lunch and be entertained. Here's the lineup:

January 10: Kay & Friends are a stellar quartet featured in pop concerts by the Austin Chamber Music Society and at many venues around the hill country. The quartet includes Kay Rivers Kidd on piano, Art Kidd on drums and vocals, Javier Chaparro on violin, and Terry Hale on bass. Their previous performances in Lakeway have always received standing ovations.

January 17: Red Young, piano, Silvie Rider, vocals, and a bass player will present their great cabaret act. Red has toured Europe and Canada with Eric Burdon and recorded with Marcia Ball and other artists. Silvie, a native of Switzerland, performed all over Europe until she married Red in 2006 and moved to Austin.

January 24: "The Vintage 15" orchestra will transport you to the 1930s & 1940s through the great music of that era. While there isn't much room for dancing, you will surely be moving your feet under the tables.

January 31: Two young opera stars, Natalie Cummings and Soon-Chan Kwan, will thrill the audience with their interpretations of arias and show tunes. They both have been featured in U.T.'s Butler Opera Center productions. Natalie was in the Austin Lyric Opera's production of Pagliacci at the Long Center last November.

February 7: The Second Line Jazz Band has performed in concerts sponsored by the Austin Traditional Jazz Society and many festivals. Their leader, trombone player and vocalist Scott Bailey, lives in Georgetown, TX. The band's name comes from the quintessential New Orleans art form, said to be like having a jazz funeral without a body. This group will lead us into the spirit of Mardi Gras.

February 14: Vocalist Suzi Stern and her quartet, featuring pianist George Oldziey, will present a jazzy Valentine. Suzi is a published poet who applies those talents in composing her own lyrics to both jazz classics and her own compositions. Her lyrics have been used by artists worldwide. George is also an active composer and performs in the best venues of Austin.

February 21: Pianist/vocalist Matt Wilson will bring his extraordinary entertainment talent to showcase songs like those of Billy Joel and his own unique compositions. He has starred locally in TexArts productions

February 28: The Jitterbug Vipers transport you to a dimly lit nightclub in 1940's Chicago where Billie Holliday and Wes Montgomery are jamming with Ray Brown, Stuff Smith and Oscar Peterson. Vintage jazz, swing, whatever you want to call it, it's hot, sultry, sophisticated and danceable. Lead by Slim Richey, who has played and recorded with Herb Ellis, Maryann Price, David Amram, Ricky Skaggs, and Ray Price. He's internationally recognized for his distinct style of Southwestern swing/jazz guitar.



Home Athletics Schedule January/February 2013

DATE	SPORT	OPPONENT	TIME
1/10	WBB	Hardin-Simmons	5:30 p.m.
	MBB	Hardin-Simmons	7:30 p.m.
1/13	MBB	Fisher College	3:00 p.m.
1/29	WBB	Mary Hardin-Baylor	5:30 p.m.
	MBB	Mary Hardin-Baylor	7:30 p.m.
2/1	BB	Lubbock Christian	4:00 p.m.
2/2	BB	Lubbock Christian	1:00 p.m.
2/7	WBB	Texas Lutheran	5:30 p.m.
	MBB	Texas Lutheran	7:30 p.m.
2/9	WBB	Schreiner	1:00 p.m.
	MBB	Schreiner	3:00 p.m.
2/14	WBB	Sul Ross State	5:30 p.m.
	BB	Texas Lutheran	7:00 p.m.
	MBB	Sul Ross State	7:30 p.m.
2/15	BB	Sul Ross State	10:00 a.m.
	SB	Trinity (DH)	4:00 p.m.
2/16	BB	Ozarks	10:00 a.m.
	WBB	Howard Payne	1:00 p.m.
	MBB	Howard Payne	3:00 p.m.
	BB	Howard Payne	4:00 p.m.
2/17	BB	Texas-Dallas	12:00 p.m.
	SB	George Fox (DH)	2:00 p.m.
2/22	BB	Louisiana College	7:00 p.m.
2/23	BB	Louisiana College (DH)	1:00 p.m.

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Around Lakeway

Women's Club of Greater Lakeway Speaker

January 28, 2013

The Women's Club of Greater Lakeway kicks off 2013 with Addie Broyles, popular food writer for the Austin American Statesman. Save the date for the meeting and luncheon which will take place Monday, January 28 in the Rio Grande Ballroom of the Lakeway Resort and Spa. Coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m. with the meeting beginning at 10:00 a.m. Broyles writes about everything from up-and-coming chefs to food trends in Austin and beyond in a weekly column and blog called Relish Austin. Her stories usually appear in the Wednesday print section of the newspaper. When she's not wrangling backyard chickens or her two young sons, the Ozarks native and University of Missouri graduate writes about women and food at The Feminist Kitchen.com, and is the advisory council chair of the Austin Food Blogger Alliance. In 2011, Addie was named by Tribeza magazine as one of the "Top 10 Austinites to Watch" and was voted the top food writer in the city by The Austin Chronicle. She recently won the National Headliner award for special or feature column on one subject by an individual.

For reservations or information, call Karen Morter, 261-4489, or Jill Ukeilley, 382-7414, or go to www.lakewaywomen'sclub.com.

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School News

DISTRICT'S BOND PROGRAM ON TRACK AND UNDER BUDGET

KEY EXPENDITURES BENEFITTING STUDENTS

While the expansion of Hudson Bend Middle School progresses as planned—and with more construction to come in 2013 as part of the voter-approved Lake Travis Independent School District bond referendum last November, it's the 'softer' side of the multi-million dollar program that already has had a substantial impact on student programs and services. The \$158.5 million bond—the District's largest issue to date—also includes construction of a new Lake Travis Middle School and Elementary School No. 6; expansion of Lake Travis High School into the current Lake Travis Middle School campus; upgrades for existing facilities; and improvements district-wide. Additionally, comprising the package is the purchase of instructional resources and materials, including technology. "People tend to relate best to the bricks-and-mortar portion of bond packages," said Dr. Brad Lancaster, LTISD Superintendent. "And rightly so. The majority of funds in most bonds are set aside for construction. However, while the (bond) money may not be used to fund daily operating costs such as teacher salaries, utilities and fuel, it is becoming more and more common to buy things like buses, technology, and instructional materials with bond dollars." As of August 31, 2012, proceeds from the District's current bond have purchased more than \$2.2 million in technology devices for students, instructional computers, interactive SMART boards and document cameras for classrooms, and servers and cabling across the District. Expenses also include more than \$150,000 in library books, band and orchestra instruments, and uniforms for various band and athletics programs at Hudson Bend and Lake Travis middle schools and at Lake Travis High School. "It certainly helps parent fund-raising morale," said Kenny Vise, Lake Travis High School band director. "We know the school district and community are taking care of our need for instruments, so we can focus on things like travel and props and extra things to enrich the kids' performance opportunities." District officials have also purchased seven regular route buses and one special needs bus at a cost of approximately \$820,000. "While it's been a year since the bond was approved and things are moving forward as planned, we're still relatively early in the process," added Dr. Lancaster. "Additional purchases for instructional materials, including technology, will continue to be made, while the bulk of construction will take place in 2013. Overall, the bond money is going to where the voters wanted it to be allotted."

HUDSON BEND MIDDLE SCHOOL

Shortly after the bond referendum received approval, LTISD trustees awarded a contract for architectural and engineering services to Austin-based Fields & Associates for the design of the Hudson Bend Middle School expansion. In Jan. 2012, trustees selected the firm of Baird/Williams Construction, Ltd. from Temple to serve as the project's Construction Manager At-Risk, a method that requires a commitment by the construction manager to deliver the project within a guaranteed maximum price. To meet the proposed schedule for increasing the school's capacity from 900 to 1,200 students, the HBMS project will be constructed in two phases. The classroom addition phase, which broke ground in June 2012, will add 26 teaching stations to the overall site and is expected to be completed in the summer of 2013. The second phase of construction will include the expansion of core facilities and is scheduled for completion in early 2014. Overall, the two phases will add 79,000 square feet to the school's total footprint. According to bond documents, the total budget for the HBMS Expansion project is estimated at \$22.2 million.



NEW LAKE TRAVIS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Last November, trustees selected Fields and Associates Architects to design the \$53.7 million New Lake Travis Middle School which will be located on Bee Creek Road just off Highway 71. Trustees are expected to award a construction contract for the project at their regular school board meeting in December. Construction is scheduled to begin in Jan. 2013.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NO. 6

Additionally, last November trustees awarded a contract to Austin-based Pfluger Associates Architects for the design of Elementary School No. 6. The new school will be located on Cypress Ranch Boulevard inside the West Cypress Hills subdivision off Highway 71. Trustees are expected to award a construction contract for the \$25 million project in Feb. 2013, with work commencing in March.

LAKE TRAVIS HIGH SCHOOL

Earlier this month, trustees awarded a construction contract to Austin-based AG Construction Management for site improvement work at Lake Travis High School. The \$1.4 million project includes resurfacing the main LTHS parking lots and Cavalier Drive, from the main stadium up to the top of the hill. Also included is a new concrete sidewalk from the Cavalier Activity Center to the top of the hill. Additional work includes the terracing of erosion areas at the Cavalier Activity Center, the baseball field and the tennis courts, as well as the installation of an irrigation well and irrigation systems at Lake Travis High School and the LTISD administration building. All work, which began Nov. 27, will be done in phases and is expected to be substantially complete by Spring Break 2013. Additionally, once the new Lake Travis Middle School opens in the fall of 2014, expansion of Lake Travis High School into the current Lake Travis Middle School site at Ranch Road 620 and Cavalier Drive will begin. Fort Worth-based Huckabee Architects will design the project.

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School News

District's Bond Program (Continued from Page 18)

EXISTING ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Earlier this year, trustees selected Austin-based O'Connell Robertson Architects to plan improvements to the District's existing elementary schools, including the replacement of air conditioning systems and the renovation of the kitchen at Lakeway Elementary School, the District's oldest elementary school. Trustees are expected to award a construction contract for the project in March 2013, with work commencing in April. "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 for their support."

A demographic report commissioned by the District and released in February 2011 indicates enrollment is increasing by approximately 300 to 400 students—roughly 6 to 7 percent—annually. Considering a high growth rate scenario, demographers estimate the District will be built out, or at full capacity, by 2025 with a projected enrollment of 18,000 students. In November 2012, Lake Travis schools recorded a total enrollment of 7,780 students. "This bond allows us to accommodate the continued increase in student enrollment in our District, and we are committed to ensuring that all projects are well-built and completed in a timely and fiscally responsible manner," concluded Dr. Lancaster.

For more information about the LTISD 2012 Bond, including a listing of all bond expenditures to date, visit www.ltisdschools.org/bond.

Walk the Red Carpet at LTEF's Annual Gala!

The Lake Travis Education Foundation's 2013 Gala, A Red Carpet Affair, will be held Saturday, March 2nd at the Renaissance Austin Hotel. Dining, dancing, live and silent auctions, casino games, and entertainment by Radiostar. This event sells out in advance ... don't be left out this year! Sponsorship benefits include reserved tables, hotel rooms, and marketing opportunities. Non-sponsor reserved tables are also now available on a first come, first served basis. This year's silent auction will be going "all electronic," which will allow guests to bid from the dance floor, the casino, or even from the comfort of home!



Proceeds benefit the students and teachers of the Lake Travis ISD. To date, LTEF has awarded more than \$2.8 million to our teachers and students, and your support through events such as the annual gala makes future funding possible. Further information available at www.LakeTravisEducationFoundation.org/gala.htm.

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Board Awards Contract for New Lake Travis Middle School

Lake Travis Independent School District trustees have awarded a contract in the amount of \$42,144,912 to Texas-based Bartlett Cocke General Contractors for the construction of the new Lake Travis Middle School. The \$53.7 million project is part of the school bond approved by voters in November 2011.

"The proposal submitted by Bartlett Cocke offers the best value to the district based upon the published selection criteria and ranking evaluation," said Jim Ratcliff, LTISD Senior Director for Facilities and Construction. "Bartlett Cocke's initial proposal exceeded the project's original budget by \$933,388 but was value-engineered back to the project's original budget." In addition, several items have been added into the overall scope of work including two additional drive lanes and sidewalks along the access drives to the school; a rainwater and condensate collection system; the addition of terrazzo flooring at the main public areas; the addition of site lighting along the access drives to the school; and the addition of a lightning early warning system at the athletic fields."

In November 2011, LTISD trustees selected Fields and Associates Architects to design the new school which will be located on Bee Creek Road just off Highway 71. Construction is scheduled to begin in January 2013. For project renderings and

other information on the New Lake Travis Middle School, click [here](#).

Additionally, once the new Lake Travis Middle School opens in the fall of 2014, expansion of Lake Travis High School into the current Lake Travis Middle School site at Ranch Road 620 and Cavalier Drive will begin.

The \$158.5 million bond—the District's largest issue to date—also includes construction of Elementary School No. 6; expansion of Hudson Bend Middle School to 1,200 students; expansion of Lake Travis High School into the current Lake Travis Middle School campus; upgrades for existing facilities; and improvements district-wide. Additionally, comprising the package is the purchase of instructional resources and materials, including technology.

For more information, contact the Lake Travis ISD Office of Communications at (512) 533-6046, or visit www.ltisdschools.org/bond.

In 1981, Lake Travis Independent School District was formed in a move to build an educational program which would better meet the needs of the students from the Lake Travis area. More than 7,700 district students are serviced by eight campuses: Lake Travis High School; Lake Travis and Hudson Bend middle schools; and Lakeway, Bee Cave, Lake Travis, Lake Pointe, and Serene Hills elementary schools. For more information, visit www.ltisdschools.org.

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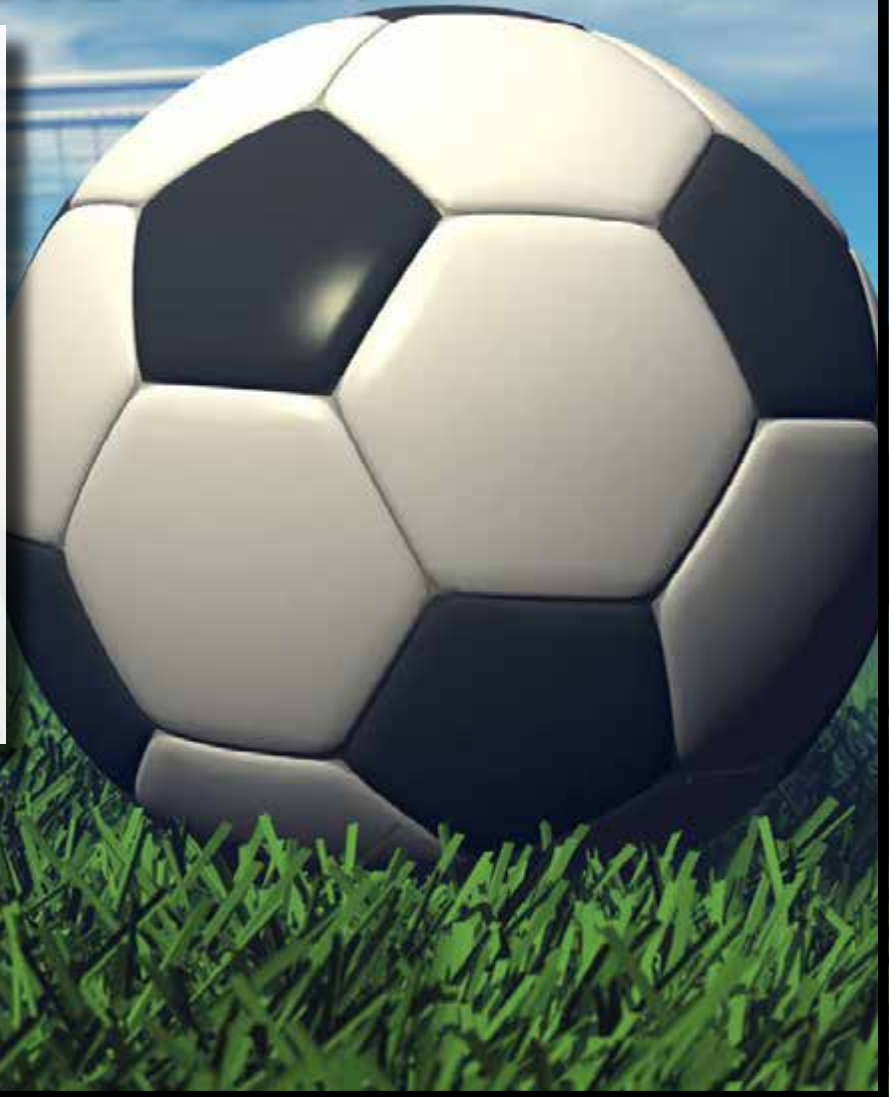
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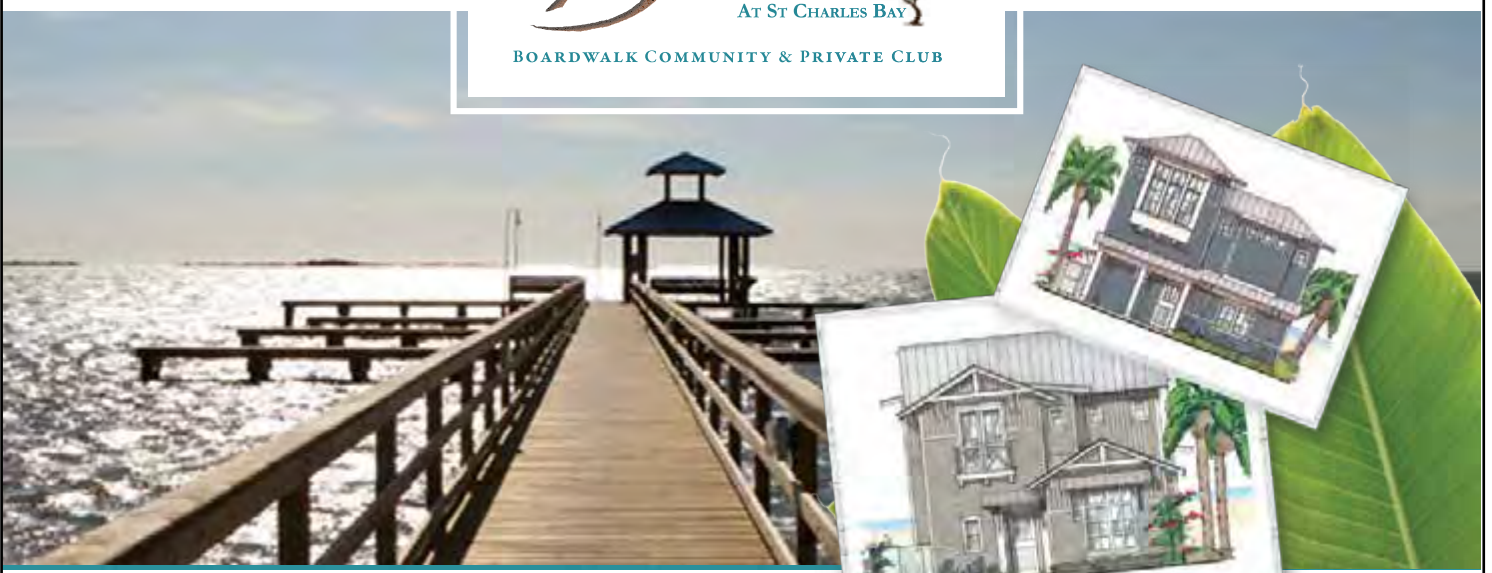
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At the helm of TexARTS is Robby Armitage, the producing artistic director. Armitage began his career as a Broadway performer in such hits as Elton John's "Aida" and the Tony Award-winning "Thoroughly Modern Millie." After years of dancing on Broadway, he eventually transitioned into a stage management position on the Great White Way. At TexARTS, he has used this background to design an arts education curriculum that caters to the pre-professional musical theatre student as well as to adults and students who just want to have fun in a creative environment.

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TexARTS has an incredible new year planned with a new offering of adult and youth classes in dance, theatre, voice and visual arts and fantastic fully staged productions. 2013 will kick off with youth productions of the Broadway hit "Footloose" (Jan. 19-20) and the popular "Seussical" (Jan. 26-27). The TexARTS professional cabaret series will featuring a starry line up of Austin's best voices, including: The Studebakers (Feb. 22), Austin Haller and Kare Bliss (Mar. 1-2) and Rosie and the Ramblers (TBA). And the public is welcome to dance with the cast of the national tour of "The Lion King" on Feb. 2nd, as they conduct a master dance class and teach choreography from the Tony Award-Winning musical.

For ticket information or to register for TexARTS' various performing arts classes, visit tex-arts.org or call 512-852-9079.

Aid and Attendance Benefit from the Veterans Administration

More pension benefits are available to vets, but many of them aren't told

A presentation will be held in Lakeway, TX on January 15, 2013, to education veterans, their spouse and surviving spouses of veterans on a little know benefit called Aid and Attendance. The seminar will cover which veterans can receive this benefit and the process that can be taken to apply. The maximum amount per month can be up to \$2,020 for a veteran and their spouse.

In addition a free guide will be available for all attendees that will help senior citizens and their families obtain benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs. This user-friendly and comprehensive guide contains a wide breadth of practical tips and valuable resources to save you time in navigating the maze of veterans benefits. This guide also provides a wealth of references to appropriate agencies for more information on eligibility and the application process.

The presentation is being coordinated by Cyndi Cummings with Keller Williams Realty. Cummings a local realtor has specialized training in working with those over 55. In her conversations with over 1,500 families, she has learned that only a small percentage know about the Veterans Aid and Attendance benefit. She has helped clients who did not think they could afford senior living

communities that they desperately needed because of their monthly income. Cyndi was able to sell the house of her client, Jan, and help her apply for the Aid and Attendance benefit so that she was able to transition to a beautiful one bedroom apartment in a retirement community where all of her meals are prepared for her, housekeeping is provided and needed transportation as she was no longer able to drive.

The presenter is Jerry Loden, he has over 22 year's experience as a licensed Insurance Agent working with families preserving and protecting their assets through Safe Money options: Life, Long Term Care, Medicare Supplements, and Lifetime Income Contracts. Jerry also educates Wartime Veterans in the qualification process for the Aid and Attendance benefit through free educational seminars through his professional membership in The American Association for Wartime Veterans. Jerry has offices in Temple and Austin.

The seminar is January 15th, 2013 from 7:00 to 8:00 PM at the Keller Williams Lake Travis office at 1921 Lohmans Crossing Suite 100 Austin, TX 78734. To RSVP or questions contact Cyndi Cummings at 512-423-6782 or cyndic@flash.net.

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A Focus On Resolutions

By: Concentra Urgent Care

The New Year is a great time to make healthy lifestyle changes. According to the US Department of Health and Human Services, the most common resolutions focus on losing weight, getting fit, quitting smoking, and reducing stress. These are important themes that can reduce your risk of disease. Here are ways you can achieve your goals this year.

LOSING WEIGHT

A weight loss of five to seven percent of your body weight can improve your health and quality of life. It can also help prevent weight-related health problems, like diabetes. Changing your eating habits and increasing your physical activity are keys to successful weight loss and help to maintain optimal weight for the rest of your life. Create a plan for healthy eating and increased physical activity, while taking in fewer calories than you use. Your healthy eating plan should include:

- Taking into account foods you like and dislike
 - A focus on fresh fruits, vegetables, and whole grains
 - Fat-free or low-fat dairy products such as yogurt, cheese, and milk
 - Protein sources such as lean meats, poultry, fish, beans, eggs, and nuts
 - Avoiding saturated and trans fats such as animal fat, butter, and hydrogenated oils
 - Staying away from foods high in sodium and added sugars
- For more information on weight management and improving

nutritional practices, visit the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases at www.win.niddk.nih.gov/publications/for_life.htm.

GETTING FIT

Regular physical activity for at least 30 minutes each day, or broken up into several shorter periods of 20, 15, or 10 minutes, can help you lose weight, keep it off, and stay fit. It can also improve your energy and mood and lower your risk for heart disease, diabetes, and some cancers. Try some of these physical activities:

- Walking (15-minute miles or 4 miles per hour)
- Biking
- Tennis
- Aerobic exercise classes (step aerobics, kickboxing, dancing)
- Yard work or house cleaning (gardening, raking, mopping, vacuuming)

Taking the first step can be the hardest part. Start slowly, at a level that is comfortable for you and add activity as you go along. Sometimes, it helps to have a friend or activity buddy when you start out. It is recommended that adults get at least two and a half hours of moderate physical activity each week. Strengthening activities, such as pushups, sit-ups, or lifting weights, at least two days per week are also encouraged. For more information on getting fit, visit the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports at <http://fitness.gov/>. Happy New Year from Concentra Urgent Care!



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Seven Business Networking Groups in the Area

ARE YOU LOOKING TO GROW YOUR BUSINESS IN 2013?

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STEINER RANCH REFERRALS BNI GROUP

Meetings are on Tuesday mornings from 8:00am to 9:30am at Uncle Billy's at the Oasis. Visitors are welcome! If you are interested please contact Michael Bennett at michael@bennett-tech.net for more information 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.

NETWORKING NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Networking Northwest Austin is expanding its member base of businesses in our area. We believe in business by referrals and having a limited member base. We have a caring, positive, involved group of people who wish to build their businesses using the strength business referrals. No fees. Business education and speakers. Networking Northwest Austin meets on the second and fourth Mondays at 11:30 at Cheddars HWY 183 and Anderson Mill Rd. Visit <http://www.meetup.com/NetWorking-NorthWest-Austin/>

STEINER RANCH MARKETERS MEETUP GROUP

Join other marketers who live in Steiner Ranch and work in online marketing, search engine optimization, affiliate marketing,

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YOUR LOCAL CITY

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

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BNI is a professional business networking group that helps you build a team of partners to market your business. Come join us on Mondays from 11:30-1:00pm at Fore in Lakeway. Lunch is \$10 and visitors are welcome. Please feel free to contact Kimberly McLaughlin at kimberly@LaHaPro.com or visit www.BNIAustin.com for more information.

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LAKE TRAVIS REPUBLICAN CLUB MEETING

Steve Munisteri, Chairman of the Republican Party of Texas, will be the featured speaker at the monthly meeting of the Lake Travis Republican Club, to be held Tuesday, January 15, 2013, at the Hills Country Club, from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM.

Munisteri grew up in Houston, TX, and is a 39 year veteran of Republican politics in Texas and the United States as a conservative grassroots activist. He started his involvement in 1972 as a volunteer for Hank Grover, Richard Nixon and John Tower. He then went on to form a conservative club at Memorial High School in Houston, and in 1975, contacted then Harris County GOP Chairman Ray Barnhardt to become involved in the Ronald Reagan for President campaign and to become more involved in the local party. He went on to serve the party in numerous volunteer capacities, including working as a precinct chairman of two different precincts in Harris County, serving as delegate or alternate delegate to numerous state conventions, and serving on the State Republican Executive Committee for State District 17. He has experience in working in over 50 campaigns, in all aspects from blockwalking and phone banks, to sitting in on strategy sessions for national Presidential



campaigns.

Steve also has a long history of involvement in the conservative movement. In 1976, he was selected as state Vice Chairmen for Texas Young Americans for Freedom and served as state Chairmen from 1977 to 1980. In 1980, Munisteri founded Young Conservatives of Texas, a group which continues to produce the future generations of our conservative leaders and elected officials in college campuses across the state.

Mr. Munisteri attended Memorial High School in Houston, before graduating from the University of Texas in Austin with a BBA in Finance with Honors. He also earned a J.D. from the University of Texas Law

School. Following his election to the State Chairmanship at the 2010 Texas GOP Convention in Dallas, Mr. Munisteri obtained a second residence in Travis County and currently serves full-time as the State Party Chairmen at RPT headquarters in Austin.


Tickets for the meeting are available for \$15.00 for members, and \$20.00 for guests. Reservations can be obtained by calling 512-261-0722, or by email at wwarmuth@austin.rr.com. A Lunch Buffet will be served.

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