

# The Clippings



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## Message from your Manager



Please join me in welcoming Tanna Follis as our new Membership Director. Tanna grew up in the San Antonio area and at Fair Oaks Ranch Country Club where she performed nearly every role during school. A graduate of University of Texas at San Antonio with a degree in Criminal Justice and Early Childhood Education, Tanna lettered 4 years on the college Tennis team. She loves animals and music and most recently managed the Children's Center at Kingwood.

In a previous Message from the Manager, I highlighted the many accomplishments we have achieved over the last 6 years I have been fortunate to be your manager. While the industry in general has struggled, Walden has flourished and is now positioned to have its best times ahead. We are indeed a much different Club that has seen our golf membership roster stabilize over the past two years. We are still a work in progress but well on our way to filling up our golf roster and continuing to enjoy the benefits of a growing club.

We are proud to announce a \$1,500 increase in the paid initiation fee for all new Golf Members. The new initiation fee of \$2,000 (which is a 56% credit off our full Initiation fee of \$4,500) will be in effect beginning September 1st for all new Golf enrollments or upgrades with sponsorship by a current Walden Golf Member. If you know of someone who is interested in joining Walden or upgrading their current membership please get with Tanna as soon as possible and she will be happy to walk you through the invitation process.

The Board of Governors has approved the next project from the Partnership Capital Fund as the entry into the golf shop will be replaced and the clubhouse railings will receive a facelift. Additionally the Board is finalizing plans to begin renovations to the Ladies Locker Room and the bathroom of the Men's Locker Room. Design renderings should be available by the end of the

month and we expect the work to begin this fall. The Walden Makeover Continues!

Your Food and Beverage Team has been busy the past few weeks creating new weekly offerings and revisions to our daily Grill Menu. Join us each Wednesday for Waldino's, an Italian themed menu, offered in the Main Dining Room. Now offered in the Palmer Lounge on Thursday evenings is Arnie's Chop Shop and of course Fine Dining Friday's with Chef John's highly acclaimed features. While we will always try to accommodate walk-ins, reservations are strongly encouraged. Be on the lookout for some exciting news about offerings in September! Please visit the calendar on our website for more details about what is currently being offered at the Club.

The season is quickly ending for the Swimming Pool. Through August 24th, the pool will be open normal days and hours (Tuesday through Sunday from 11:00 AM till 8:00 PM). As the kids head back to school, the pool will be closed Tuesday, August 26th through Friday, August 29th. We will be open for Labor Day weekend (Saturday through Monday) and then close the pool for the season.

We are continuing to revise our club communication strategies. The website has been updated and we continue to grow our Facebook page. Facebook is a unique communication tool and for us to reach our maximum exposure we need to increase the dialogue with our post. When you see a post for the Club, please comment or "like" the post. This will dramatically increase the Club's exposure and show the social media world what's happening at the Club.

Thanks for being a member and we look forward to seeing you at the Club!

-- Jamie Lavigne, Regional Vice President & General Manager

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## A LETTER FROM YOUR BOARD OF GOVERNORS CHAIRMAN

Hello Walden. Can you believe it? Summer is coming to an end and the kiddos are back in school. We have had a great summer. The golf course is in the best condition ever, the tennis courts are in full use, the fitness center is being utilized by quite a few of our residents, and the swimming pool has kept those hot sunny days a little cooler.

The most exciting thing is the new and old members coming together and sharing their ideas to improve the club. If you haven't met any of those new members, please come out to one of the Parties on the Patio or Member Mixers and listen to their ideas on how to make Walden G&CC a place to have fun and a place to meet new friends.

How about our Tennis program! They continue to gain the respect of many top tennis prospects in the area. We have a couple of the top Atascocita tennis players here at our club and they are something to see on the court. I would like to challenge the tennis community to begin thinking of events / fund raisers to hold so that we can entice new members to join and to raise funds to fix / purchase new equipment. If any of you have suggestions, please forward them to the Board.

As indicated in previous Clippings, continuous changes are being at the club to improve our facility and our experience at the club. By now the steps to the Pro Shop have been renovated thus providing a safer entrance way to the shop. The handicap railings on the north side of the main facility have been upgraded to improve safety. The Board of Directors has been working hard on developing the list of renovations to make to the Women's Locker Room, the Wet area, and the Men's Wet area. To date, the plans for the renovations haven't been finalized. We will publish an update as soon as all the details are available.


Do you remember the recent Share the Funds (STF) golf tournament? The proceeds from the tournament provided the STF committee with approximately \$1,100 to utilize around the club on ideas presented by you, our members. Several of those ideas have been implemented already. Examples are an air hose at the back steps to the Pro shop to be used to clean your golf shoes and golf cart, Prisms for establishing the distance to a hole have been installed on all the flag poles, and two clocks have been purchased, one for the driving range and the other for the first tee. The STF committee is in the process of planning another tournament. We look to you for ideas on how to utilize the funds.

Lastly, we have a new Membership director, Tanna Follis replacing Brad Kuykendall. Tanna brings a lot of energy to this position and will do well in enrolling new members. However, she needs us all to help her with leads on potential members so come in and meet Tanna and let her know how you can help.

- Walt Albright



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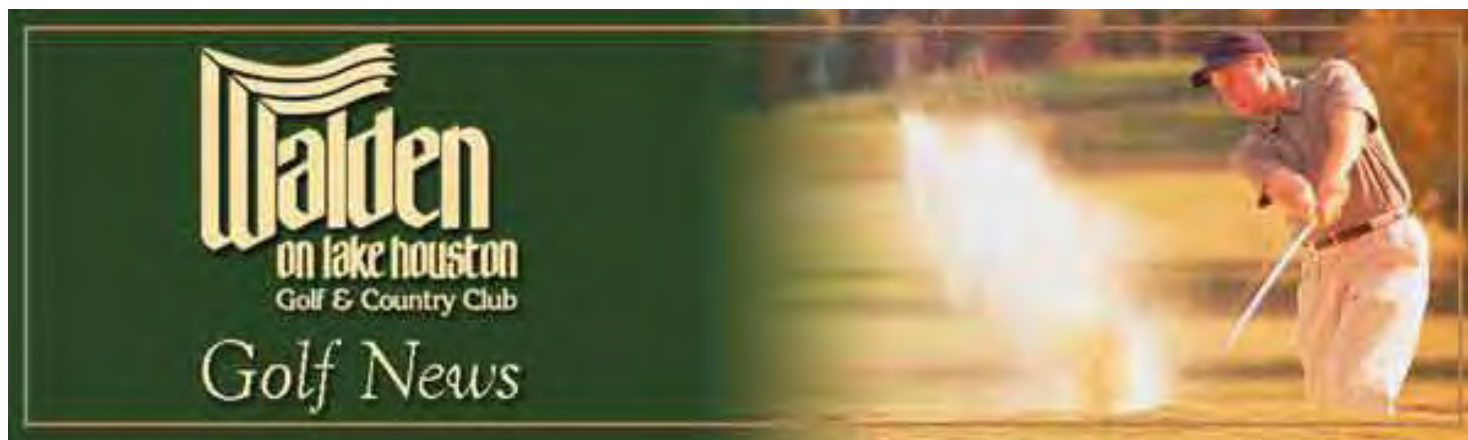
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## UPCOMING GOLF EVENTS

- Men's Stag Night - Every Thursday @ 5:45pm
- Friday Night Golf - Every Friday @ 5:30pm
- "The Rack" - Every Saturday & Sunday @ 10:30 (weekdays at 11:30)
- SMGA 4 Person Shamble - August 12th
- MGA 4-Man Variable Best Ball - August 16th
- Junior Club Championship - Rescheduled to September 20th-21st

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| Larry & Alicia Skalnik  | 2 |
| Roger & Susan Brown     | 2 |
| Andy & Nell Vincent     | 2 |
| Dave & Carrie Faulkner  | 2 |

## MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

The MGA "4-Man Variable Best Ball" Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, August 16th. You may sign up through the golf shop.

## SENIOR MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

The SMGA 4-Person Shamble is scheduled for Tuesday, August 12th. You may sign up through the golf shop.

## LADIES' GOLF ASSOCIATION

The LGA Summer League is all finished for the year. Thanks to Linda McGuire and all those who helped make it successful!

## STAG NIGHT SKINS GAME

Join the fun every Thursday night at Walden! The format is a 9-hole skins game that shotgun starts at 5:45pm, with both gross and net cumulative skins. The entry fee is \$9 CASH. Players must have a GHIN handicap established to be eligible for net skins. Call or come by the golf shop to sign up!

After play, head back to the patio or locker room for Bistro Filet Cut Steak, Baked Potato and Chef's Choice Vegetables at only \$14.95++ BONUS: Scotch & Stogies from the bar featuring draft specials and Glenmorangie Scotch!

## TGIF- THINK GOLF IT'S FRIDAY!

Friday Night Golf is Back!! Come join us on Friday's for the fun. The cost is \$10 per person. Please call the golf shop before 5 o'clock to sign up and be on site by 5:15pm for the 5:30 shotgun start. You can sign up as a couple or as a single and we will find you a partner.

## FACEBOOK!

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## SEPTEMBER 2014 CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday                       | Friday  | Saturday  |
|---|---|---|---|--------------------------------|---|---|
|   | <b>1</b> Happy Labor Day -<br>Club Open<br>12:00 PM - 01:00<br>PM | <b>2</b> Club Closed<br>12:00 PM - 01:00<br>PM                      | <b>3</b> Waldino's Cucina<br>Italiano 5:00 - 8:00     | <b>4</b> Arnie's Chop Shop     | <b>5</b> Fine Dining<br>Friday                | <b>6</b> LGA - Couples<br>Member/Member   |
| <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b> Main Club Closed<br>Tennis & Fitness<br>Open             | <b>9</b> 1/2 Price Pizza<br>Grapestompers<br>06:30 PM - 09:00<br>PM | <b>10</b> Waldino's<br>Cucina Italiano<br>5:00 - 8:00 | <b>11</b> Arnie's Chop<br>Shop | <b>12</b> Fine Dining<br>Friday 6:00-9:00     | <b>13</b> Match Play  |
| <b>14</b> Match Play                                | <b>15</b> Main Club<br>Closed<br>Tennis & Fitness<br>Open         | <b>16</b> 1/2 Price Pizza   | <b>17</b> Waldino's<br>Cucina Italiano<br>5:00 - 8:00 | <b>18</b> Arnie's Chop<br>Shop | <b>19</b> Fine Dining<br>Friday 6:00-<br>9:00 | <b>20</b> Match Play<br>Junior Club<br>Championship<br>Surf and Turf Dinner<br>07:00 PM - 10:00<br>PM |
| <b>21</b> Junior Club<br>Championship<br>Match Play | <b>22</b> Main Club<br>Closed<br>Tennis & Fitness<br>Open         | <b>23</b> 1/2 Price Pizza   | <b>24</b> Waldino's Cucina<br>Italiano 5:00 -<br>8:00 | <b>25</b> Arnie's Chop<br>Shop | <b>26</b> Fine Dining<br>Friday 6:00-<br>9:00 | <b>27</b>   |
| <b>28</b> SUNDAY<br>BRUNCH 11:00<br>- 2:00          | <b>29</b> Main Club<br>Closed<br>Tennis &<br>Fitness Open         | <b>30</b> 1/2 Price Pizza   |   |                                |   |   |

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#### Pink Bogey: \$100

(Sign on a hole & recognition in goodie bag)

#### Mulligan

(non-cash contributions, for goodie bags or silent auction)

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**9:00**

Registration and Breakfast

**10:00**

Shotgun Start

**2:30**

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### DETAILS

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## Lake Houston Ladies Club September Membership Meeting:

Lake Houston Ladies Club will have their membership meeting and luncheon on Tuesday, September 16, 2014 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Walden Country Club, 18100 Walden Forest, Humble TX 77346. Lake Houston Ladies Club is a social organization that welcomes new members from all surrounding areas. Several Interest groups are available which include: Readers Choice, Bridge, Bunco, Lunch and Look, Movie Group, Supper Club, Mah Jongg, and Girl's Night Out. Please join us. New members are always welcome. Call Carol at 832-671-4475 for more information about the club and for luncheon reservations call by Friday, September 12 before 5:00 p.m.



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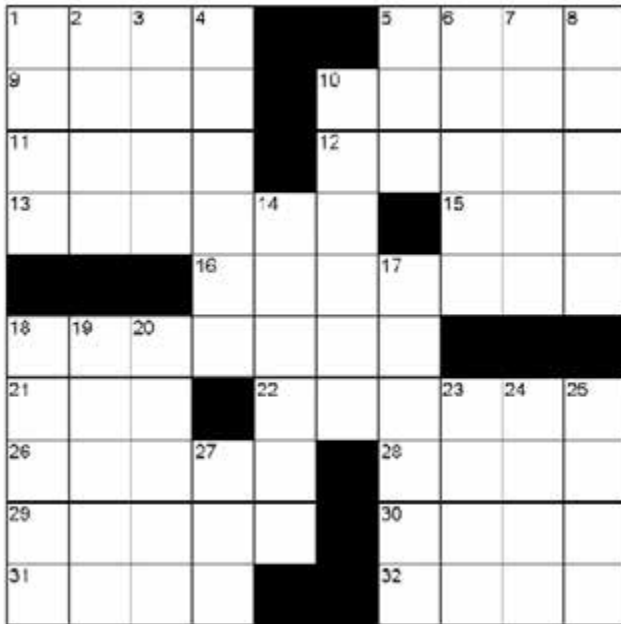
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# SCHOOL IS IN SESSION

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Back to School can provide us with some wonderful opportunities as well. Just as our children will reacquaint themselves with last year school friends, adults and parents can use it as an opportunity to take on a new project, get back in touch with friends and neighbors, or return to the gym so you can run in that 5k you've been talking about for a year. Replace the "Tuesday

kids movie day" with a lunch with a neighbor, a painting class, or tackle a home project you've been dying to get to.

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