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### Sweetwater Life

### WELCOME TO THE SWEETWATER LIFE

A Newsletter for the Sweetwater Community

Sweetwater Life is a monthly newsletter mailed to all Sweetwater residents. Each newsletter will be filled with valuable information about the community, local area activities, school information, and more.

If you are involved with a school group, play group, scouts, sports team, social group, etc., and would like to submit an article for the newsletter, you can do so online at www. PEELinc.com. Personal news (announcements, accolades/honors/ celebrations, etc.) are also welcome as long as they are from area residents.

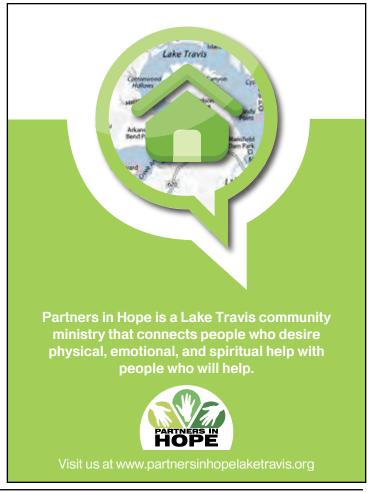
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# —MOVING IN?— Welcome to Sweetwater

First and foremost - Welcome to the neighborhood! Moving into a new community is both exciting and stressful. As your professional community association management company, we are here to help. There are many useful tips on living in Sweetwater as well as links and numbers that you will need to set up your utilities. If you have any questions that are not answered below, please contact Goodwin Management, Inc. office and we will be happy to assist you.

#### HOW DO I OBTAIN A MAILBOX KEY?

Please take a copy of your closing papers or lease to the Lakeway Post Office and they will issue a mailbox key.

Lakeway Post Office: 2110 Ranch Road 620 S Lakeway, TX 78734 512-263-2458

#### **HOW DO I OBTAIN A POOL KEY?**

Please visit our website at www.SweetwaterLife.com and register your new account to log in. Once logged in, select Order Pool Key and follow the prompts. You will have the option to pick-up your new pool key at Goodwin Management's main office or have it mailed to you. Based on your selection, you will receive an email notification when your key is ready for pick-up or when it has been mailed to you.

Customer Service: (855) 289-6007 info@assnsvcs.com www.goodwintx.com

### LT Republican Club

Texas Supreme Court Justice Eva Guzman will be the featured speaker at the Lake Travis Republican Club meeting to be held at the Hills Club on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 11:30 am.

Justice Guzman has served at three levels of the Texas judiciary. In 2009, she was appointed to serve on the Supreme Court of Texas by Governor Rick Perry. She was elected to a full term in 2010, when she became the first Hispanic woman elected to state-wide office in Texas. Before her appointment, Justice Guzman served for almost a decade on the Houston-based Fourteenth Court of Appeals. She began her judicial service on the 309th District Court in Harris County, after an appointment by then governor George W. Bush. Now in her 15th year on the bench, Justice Guzman has consistently received high marks in judicial evaluation polls.

Justice Guzman is the Court's liaison to the Commission on Judicial Conduct, the Texas Access to Justice Foundation and the Texas Access to Justice Commission, responsible for oversight and funding of the state's legal-assistance programs for the poor.

Before taking the bench, Justice Guzman enjoyed a successful 10-year career in Houston. She holds a B.B.A. from the University of Houston, a law degree from South Texas College and an LL.M from Duke University School of Law.

Meeting tickets are \$15.00 for members, and \$20.00 for guests, and can be obtained by calling 512-261-0722, or by email at wwarmuth@ austin.rr.com.

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## News from the Property Management Office



Important Reminders:

- Please remember that all items (BBQ pits, trash cans, landscaping stones, etc.) must be stored out of plain sight from the street. Trash cans may be placed at the curb the night before trash pick-up and should be put away by the morning after trash pick-up.

-Please remember that all holiday lights and decorations should be put away by the second week of January.

-Please remember that dogs should be on leashes at all times when out in the neighborhood and on HOA property.

Community documents and information can be found at www.SweetwaterLife.com. For accounting questions contact Goodwin Management at 512-502-7515 or info@assnsvcs.com.



### **RETIRE BETTER**

# LET'S MAKE A DEAL

WITH JOSH STIVERS

If I told you it was possible for you to participate in the world's best investment would your curiosity be peaked at least a little

How about it I gave you the opportunity to participate in the world's worst investment? You would probably stop me right there and tell me you're not interested.

But statistics would say that you might already be invested in the worst investment and still have idea. Let me lay out the terms of this investment and see if it sounds familiar:

- 1. You will never know exactly what you own in your portfolio.
- 2. I will only disclose a small part of the fees I am taking from your portfolio.
- 3. I will take some of your money and give it to big Wall Street firms to convince them to have their advisors give me more money to manage (this does not help you in any way at all).
- 4. You will get strange tax reports each year, and sometimes you will have to pay tax on a gain even though you lost money over the year.
- 5. Odds are around 80% or better that I will do a poorer job managing your money than the market averages. (Basically, you are paying me to underperform.)
- 6. You will not be able to invest or sell with me at a known value. You put your order in to invest or sell during the day, but your order will not be executed until the end of the day, and you get whatever the price is then.
- 7. And oh yeah, I will probably take a lot more risk with your money than you imagine.

Do you want to put your money in this investment?

Hopefully you are looking at this deal and trying to find the nearest fire escape. No one would want to jeopardize their life savings in such a vehicle. Yet, people do it every day.

I have just described a mutual fund. If you look at how a mutual fund works, you will discover that the deal laid out above is exactly what you get when you put money into a mutual fund.

This is why we are seeing other alternatives growing at such a rapid rate. Exchange Traded Funds (ETF's) and Separately Managed Accounts (SMA's) are becoming the staple of top financial advisors throughout the country. In fact, a good test to see if your advisor is any good is to simply look at how they have invested your money.

If they have you in mutual funds, it is a screaming red flag that you are not dealing with an advisor that is keeping up with their education. Either that, or they work for a big Wall Street firm that is being paid to put that fund in your portfolio, whether or not it is the best choice for you.

Either way, it might be time to find another advisor.

If you would like further information on this topic or to receive a copy of our report on retirement income planning, please send your requests to the email below. As always, we are here to answer your pressing questions and concerns regarding retirement investment planning.

Send your questions and information requests to retirebetter@ platinumwealthadvisory.com



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## Sweetwater Life



The Dynamo Juniors DJCT W-02G team completed their Fall 2015 Western District Super 2 season undefeated with a 5-0-2 record, topping the 8-team A-flight table to advance directly to the South Texas Youth Soccer Association's (STYSA) Fall 2015 State Championships, Dec. 12-13 in Cedar Park.

The U14's had 20 goals for and just three goals against in their seven Fall league games to get to state.

The team captured a state title, while competing against Sports Group One '02G Blue, Lake Jackson Blitz and the NEYSO Liberty '02G Gold. Congratulations to the entire team!





## Kick up your heels at Lakeway's Big Band Bash

Start the new year swinging by dancing the night away at Lakeway's Big Band Bash from 8-10 p.m. Jan. 11 at Lakeway Activity Center.

Enjoy one of the best big bands in Central Texas, a large dance floor and tables available for your own drinks and snacks.

Kent Dugan's 17-piece orchestra, The Republic of Texas Band, features Lakeway singers David Cummings and Lisa Clark and consistently appeals to dancers of many generations. Expect to hear a wide variety of favorite tunes, mostly from the Sinatra era, with fresh arrangements.

Lakeway Arts Committee sponsors the free Big Band Bash the second Monday of each month, but donations to the band are encouraged.

"We are pleased to see the varying generations showing interest in this great music for dancing or listening," said Fred Newton, Lakeway Arts Committee chairman. "It makes for a very nice evening."

For information, call the Lakeway Activity Center at 512-261-1010.



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## **Concert Series Continues in Spicewood**



- Spicewood Arts Society (SAS) kicks off the second half of the anticipated concert season
- Austin based musician Malford Milligan, world class blues/soul singer will perform
- Venue for the concert is the serene country setting of the Spicewood Vineyards

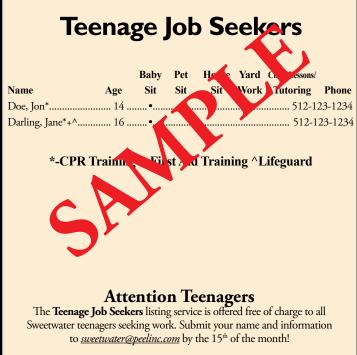
Spicewood Arts Society (SAS) in its continuing effort to bring the arts to the Hill Country kicks off the second half of the anticipated concert season by presenting the world class blues/soul singer, Malford Milligan, on Saturday, January 16, 2016 at the Spicewood Vineyards Event Center, 1419 CR 409 in Spicewood, Texas 78669.

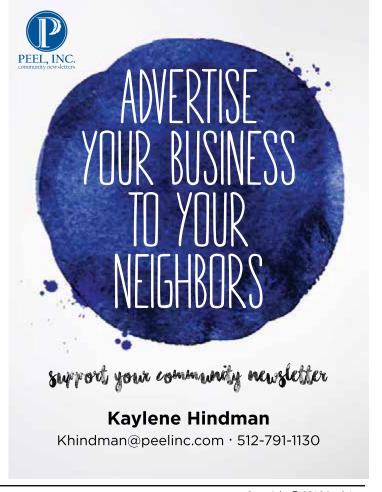
A seasoned entertainer, Malford has performed at Austin City Limits, appeared on the Conan O'Brien Show and been a contestant in 2009 on NBC's The Voice. In addition, he has recorded on more than 30 albums with acclaimed artists Marcia Ball, Hal Ketchum, and Toni Price among others. The Austin Chronicle named him "Best Male Vocalist of the Decade" in 2000 and he also received "Best Male Vocalist" by the Austin Music Awards.

Texas Monthly Magazine says of Malford "(He) may be the next great soul singer...his tenor resonance and barking delivery invite comparisons with Sam Cooke and Otis Redding, and when he's onstage you can't take your eyes off him!"

Tickets for this performance as well as the remaining scheduled concerts, Artisan String Quartet and the Motheral Family Tribute to Tony Campise are available for \$50 each. All of these performances will be held at the serene country setting of the Spicewood Vineyards.

Showtime is 7PM with the doors opening at 6PM allowing patrons an opportunity to enjoy a glass of wine available for purchase from the vineyard. For tickets or information on other events go online to www.spicewoodarts.org or call 512-264-2820.





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