



## 2016 HOA EVENTS ROCKY CREEK

*\*All dates/events subject to change due to weather or other conditions\**

### **MARCH - MARCH 26TH**

- Easter Eggstravaganza
- Pictures w/ Easter Bunny, Easter Egg Hunt, Spring Games & Family Fun

### **SPRING – DATE TBD Saturday 3p – 10p**

- Adult Bus Trip
- 3-4 Fun Surprise Destinations around Austin, Interactive games, Discounts at locations
- In addition will probably cost each resident about \$25 - \$35 per seat

### **MAY – DATE TBD**

- 80s Throwback Party
- 80s Music, Trivia, Sing-A-Long Dance-A-Long, Interactive Games, Entertainment & Prizes, Big Screen, Microbrew

### **JULY - Sat, Sun or Mon of that weekend**

- July 4th Celebration
- Morning Bicycle Parade / 9a-10a
- What we did last year with bicycle parade and July 4th stuff
- Day Pool Party / 1p-4p
- Inside Pool – DJ – Microbrew – July 4th Décor – Pool games – Food Trucks

### **AUGUST – ONE OF THE LAST WEEKENDS OF THE MONTH**

- End of Summer Pool Party & BubblePalooza
- DJ, Bubbles & Bubble games, Parking lot games, Microbrew & Food Trucks

### **OCT./NOV - DATE & TIME TBD**

- Fall Festival
- Pony Rides, Petting Zoo, Live Music, Free Catered Food, Balloon Artists, Microbrew, etc.

### **DEC. - DATE & TIME TBD**

- Christmas/Holiday Party
- Pictures w/ Santa, Christmas Music, Holiday Cheer, Hot Cocoa & cookies and activities

## Run for a Purpose holds 5th Annual event to fight lung cancer!

**Texas-based organization devoted to raising awareness and funds for lung cancer research is yet again, organizing a charity run in Lakeway on Sunday, March 6th.**

Run for a Purpose, developed by Rexanna's Foundation for Fighting Lung Cancer and partnered with Lakeway's own Be Healthy Lake Travis non-profit organization, are working together to make this 5K and KidsK event the biggest and best yet. Be Healthy Lake Travis founder, Don Canada Jr., found this event to be of particular importance to this community as Rexanna Hawkins was such an inspiration to many students of the LTISD system. His organization, also being 100% volunteer run with emphasis on total wellness, made the partnership very easy. Run for a Purpose is the only run in the metropolis whose proceeds stay in Texas, either going to scholarships or research at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

Being a volunteer run event, over 90% of funds raised from the race will go to lung cancer research at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center and the Rexanna's Foundation's T.E.A.M. scholarships which benefit high school students who have been personally affected by cancer. Rexanna's Foundation has raised more than \$250,000 for lung cancer research since its inception in 2006, a groundbreaking amount for a cancer that has been largely overlooked.

This race is about more than raising money. Raising awareness about the disease is a central goal of both foundations. Although lung cancer kills more people than breast, prostate and colon cancers combined, lung cancer receives scant attention or funding for research, which is why events like the Run for a Purpose are so important.

"Lung Cancer is one of the deadliest of cancers, yet even with these staggering statistics, it is the most under researched and underfunded," said Holly Johnson, volunteer race director and an honorary board member of Rexanna's Foundation. "I know when I contribute financially to an event like this, that my money IS going directly to the cause and that I will be, at least in some

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Bee Cave Elementary.....	512-533-6250

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Bee Cave Library.....	512-767-6620
Municipal Court .....	512-767-6630
Lake Travis Postal Office.....	512-263-2458
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# ARTICLE INFO

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The Rocky Creek Connection is mailed monthly to all Rocky Creek residents. Residents, community groups, churches, etc. are welcome to submit information about their organizations in the newsletter. Personal news for the Stork Report, Teenage Job Seekers, recipes, special celebrations, and birthday announcements are also welcome.

If you have an article of interest to the community please submit to [rockycreek@peelinc.com](mailto:rockycreek@peelinc.com) by the 15th of the month. The newsletter can also be viewed online at [www.PEELinc.com](http://www.PEELinc.com).

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small way, a reason that lung cancer will be a thing of the past someday.” Everyone benefits when they participate in a Run for a Purpose event. Be it, financially, as a participant, as a volunteer, or as a sponsor, we will win this fight with the support of the Lakeway community.

Former Lake Travis Middle School Athletic Director Rexanna Hawkins, 49, died in 2006 – just two months after her diagnosis, having never been a smoker herself. Rexanna’s competitive spirit, hope and warm heart impacted everyone she met. It was no surprise that in the two short months of her cancer fight, that she inspired her doctors and friends to become actionable and carry her torch for her, so that a cure maybe found and thus, Rexanna’s Foundation for Fighting Lung Cancer was created. Her doctors, Dr. Daniel Karp and Dr. Edward Kim at M.D. Anderson, now serves on the foundation’s board.

Run for a Purpose is held in the Rough Hollow subdivision. It is chip timed utilizing dynamic bib technology. The race includes a KidsK (ages 9 and younger) race, which starts at 8 a.m. and a 5K that begins at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, March 6th at the intersection of Highlands Blvd. and Trophy Drive, near the Lakeway Swim Center. Sign up today for early bird discounts and to guarantee

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Partners in Hope is a Lake Travis community ministry that connects people who desire physical, emotional, and spiritual help with people who will help.



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your event t-shirt. Discounts are also given to team formations of 4 or more. Pre and post-race snacks will be provided. Raffle prizes will be given out throughout the event and medals to top finishers in each age bracket. All KidsK participants will get a medal upon competition. Trophies will be given out to top male and female overall winners. Cost is \$25 (price increases after 2/18/16) for the chip-timed 5K and \$10 for the KidsK. For more information and to register, visit [www.runforapurpose.com](http://www.runforapurpose.com).

Any further questions, comments or info regarding sponsorship can be sent directly to Holly Johnson at [hollychris5@hotmail.com](mailto:hollychris5@hotmail.com).

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## Anything Goes

**When:** February 4th-6th at 7:00 P.M. & February 6th at 2:00 P.M.

**Where:** Lake Travis Performing Arts Center Concert Hall

Tickets for reserved seats are \$12 or \$18 at [LTISDSchools.org/FineArts](http://LTISDSchools.org/FineArts) or at the door. Students may purchase tickets in advance at full price or for \$8 at the door.

All aboard for Lake Travis High School's production of Cole Porter's first-class musical comedy, **ANYTHING GOES!** Romance is in the air on the ocean liner SS American - but it's far from smooth sailing for the passengers. It's nonstop laughs and hijinks on the high seas in this show packed with spectacular dance numbers and many unforgettable Cole Porter songs including "Anything Goes," "You're the Top," "Friendship," and "It's De-Lovely."



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## Timely Tips for February Gardeners

February may be the toughest gardening month. Thank goodness it's short. In Texas we do not know what kind of weather to expect from day to day or from day to night. Keep in mind that the average last freeze for our area is not until mid-March. Even so, many plants normally begin to show signs of growth in February, which makes it the perfect time, to get outside and work in the yard.

This is the perfect time to get your garden tools in good working order. So that when Spring arrives you are ready to plant those plants, mow the grass and prepare all those beds in preparation for a beautiful landscape.

Pruning is both an art and a necessary maintenance function. Most trees and shrubs can be lightly pruned at any time; however mid-winter is generally the best time for major pruning.


Summer flowering trees and shrubs should be pruned before buds begin to swell for Spring, generally they bloom on new growth; examples are crape myrtle, butterfly bush, spiraea and honeysuckle. If those seed heads on crepe myrtles bother you,

remove them this month. Just clip back the ends of the branches, do not destroy the beauty of the gracefully sculptured trunks by severe pruning. Please never top a crape myrtle. Spring flowering plants such as azalea, Carolina jessamine, wisteria, forsythia, and quince should not be pruned until after the blooms are spent.

February is the best time for pruning most roses. Remove any old and diseased canes then cut the remaining canes back by 50%. Make your cuts above a bud that faces away from the center of the plant.

Early to mid-February marks the time to apply a pre-emergent herbicide for lawns. These products kill germinating seed. A second application may be needed in late May or early June. Remember that the best defense against lawn weeds is a healthy, thick turf resulting from good management.

Trim back perennials and ornamental grasses before the new growth appears in Spring. Clean up around plants and mulch well to protect.



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## Ten Piece Show Band Will “Rock the Vineyard”

Spicewood Arts Society, the Home of the Arts in the Hill Country, will hold its annual fundraiser on February 19th at the Spicewood Vineyards Event Center, 1419 CR 409 in Spicewood, Texas. Proceeds from the evening will go towards arts programs in the local schools and for scholarships awarded to students in both Lake Travis and Marble Falls high schools who will be pursuing a post-secondary education in an art related field.

The evening begins with a silent auction, open from 6PM until 8:30PM, and a buffet dinner will be served from 6:30 to 7:30PM. Then Austin's premier 10 piece show band, “The Matchmaker Band”, will perform their own special renditions of Motown soul and funk as well as popular songs from the 80's, 90's, and today.

The generosity of our patrons allowed the Spicewood Arts Society's Scholarship Program the opportunity to provide six \$1,500 scholarships to deserving high school seniors in 2014 and again in 2015. During that time storytellers and musicians have performed at West Cypress Hills Elementary, Spicewood Elementary, and Highland Lakes Elementary in part due to donations received the night of the fundraiser.

Tickets, \$75 per person, are available online [www.spicewoodarts.org](http://www.spicewoodarts.org) or by calling 512-264-2820.

## SPICEWOOD LIONS CLUB

Spicewood Lions Club is holding its Annual Charity Golf Tournament on Friday April 1 at Lakecliff Golf Club. If you would like to participate as a sponsor please call David Almond on 830-693-3645 ([david@b-h-c.com](mailto:david@b-h-c.com)) or if you would like to play as an individual (we make up teams) or as a team please contact Guy Weinhold on 512-791-5677 ([spicewoodgolfguy@gmail.com](mailto:spicewoodgolfguy@gmail.com)). All proceeds go to help needy individuals and community organizations in and around Spicewood.

Our grateful thanks go to those businesses that have already agreed to sponsor including Stone House Vineyard, Security State Bank and Trust, Anderson Family Dental, Spicewood Plumbing, Spicewood K9 Club, Assassin Pest Control, Madigan Custom Homes, Premier Windows and Doors, Hill Country Haiku and more.

*Lion David Almond,  
President Spicewood Lions Club*

A photograph of a family of four standing outdoors in a grassy field. A man in a dark blue shirt holds a young girl in a grey shirt and white skirt. A woman in a blue dress holds a young boy in a blue and white striped shirt and blue pants. They are all smiling at the camera.

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WITH JOSH STIVERS

WOW! The beginning of this year was a pretty rocky start for the stock market. Going back to August, the market has experienced increased volatility not seen since the second half of 2011. The question is, were you ready?

For years, institutional investors and hedge funds have benefitted from drastic fluctuations in the market by being opportunistic during times like these. Even one of Warren Buffet's classic rules is "Be fearful when others are greedy, and be greedy when others are fearful."

Do these big money investors have information we don't? I would say NO! Due to their experience and understanding of market fluctuations, these seasoned investors learned how to manage their emotions and focus on the fundamentals underlying the volatility.

Simply put, volatility is a measure of the roller coaster ride that individual stock and public markets go on when there is nervousness and unrest based on uncertain economic conditions.

During the financial crisis of 2008, we saw many investors flee their equity positions at substantial losses and move their assets to cash. The problem is that many stayed in cash for several years and completely missed out on the 6 year bull market that followed the crisis. What if they had placed at least a portion of this cash in opportunistic investments that rebounded when the market began to level out?

**The key to benefitting from market volatility is preparation.**  
During times of relative calm in markets, it is important to

begin to insulate your portfolio from the impending volatility that is sure to happen. It is possible to achieve this portfolio insulation through the use of non-correlated assets and cash.

It is also important to have a stash of cash on hand when volatility hits. The recent sell offs in public equity markets have created an opportunity to purchase quality stocks at drastically discounted prices. If you do not prepare for the eventual sale on quality stocks, then you might find yourself without enough purchasing power to make good on these name brand stock discounts.

With a proper allocation to non-correlated investments and a healthy portion of cash, many of our clients have been in a position to benefit from the recent market volatility. With more uncertainty on the road ahead, it's not too late to begin insulating your own personal investment portfolio from future fluctuations.

Ask yourself, were you comfortable with your experience on your investments over the last couple of months. If not, it may be time to stress test your current portfolio and begin to hedge your bets.

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