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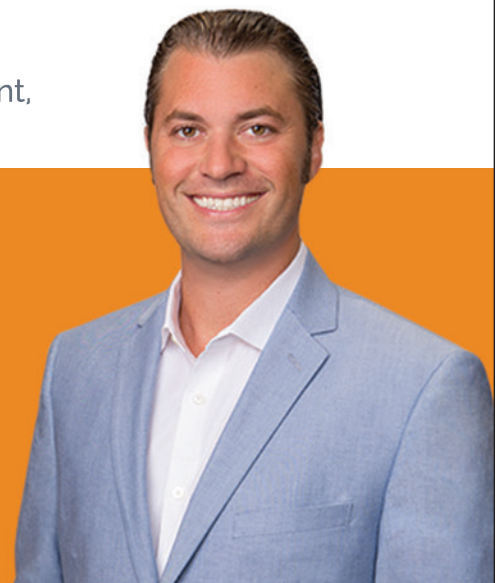
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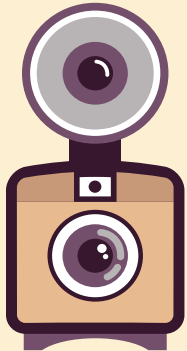
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The Bee Cave Messenger is mailed monthly to all Bee Cave area residents. Residents, community groups, churches, etc. are welcome to include information about their organizations in the newsletter. Personal news for the Stork Report, Teenage Job Seekers,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

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Around Bee Cave

FEATURED FAMILY

The Briggs: Jess, Derin, Bentley (6) and Charlee (4)

Q: How long have you lived in Bee Cave/Lake Travis area?

A: We moved here from Gilbert, AZ in October 2013

Q: What brought you to the area/where did you live before?

A: Derin works for Target and we were transferred here for her job as a regional manager in Austin & San Antonio, TX. Prior to living in Texas, we have lived in Idaho, Utah, California and Arizona.

Q: What do you like most about Bee Cave?

A: It's hard to narrow down what we like best about Bee Cave because we love it so much! It's been our favorite place to live after moving 10 times in 14 years. We love the people in our awesome neighborhood, the southern way of life, the gorgeous hill country views, and the high quality schools.

Q: How/where did you meet?

A: We both grew up in Idaho about 15 miles from each other. We met in our first college class, Business 101, when Derin was 18 and Jess was 21. We were married two years later.



Q: What are some of your hobbies?

• Time with friends is our #1 – the people in Texas are amazing!

• Anything outdoors – swimming, running, camping, boating, hiking, rafting, skiing/snowboarding

• We take a couple trips a year – usually a ski trip, a beach trip, and a trip back to Idaho to help run the family farm.

• We both enjoy sports and staying active

• We love watching

baseball and football (go Pats)!

• We LOVE our theatre room and watching movies on our days off

• We enjoy coaching Bentley's soccer team and watching the girls progress with gymnastics.

Q: Where do you work/what do you do for a living?

A: Derin has worked at Target for 13 years and is currently a regional manager for stores in central Texas.

Jess ran his own business in the oil industry prior to our move to Texas and has been busy raising our kids for the past 3 years. He will be starting up a window washing business now that our youngest will be in school more often.

Q: What is your favorite thing to do as a family?

A: See hobbies. We love it all.

Q: What is one of your favorite family memories?

A: Taking the girls to Disneyland last fall – it was very magical for them.

Q: Do you have any pets/what kind?

A: No pets.

Q: What does family mean to you?

A: Family is everything to us. One of the most important goals in our life is that there is love and peace in our home, and that our children know they are loved. Family to us is community as well. We enjoy serving those around us, both in our home and outside of our home.

Q: How would your friends/neighbors describe you?

A: We weren't sure how to answer so we asked them. Here is what we heard:



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Loyal friends, family first, generous, dependable, always positive, hard-working, forever young, caring, thoughtful, active, lovers of life and always up for a good time. An All American Family.

Q: What is something you would like to share with your neighbors and community members?

A: We appreciate our Rocky Creek family and the amazing community we enjoy here! Thank you!

Q: What are some of your family traditions?

A: Nightly prayers with our daughters. Church on Sundays... They love learning about Jesus and God.

Summer trips to Idaho and Fall trips to Arizona to see the extended family and work on the farm.

Q: What is something you would like to do or are looking forward to doing in the next year?

A: Jess wants to learn Spanish in the next year and start a business. We want to travel more as a family. We grew up skiing so we want to take our girls to Idaho for Christmas so they can learn how to ski. We also want to go on another Disney trip to Florida...we are hoping Charlee won't be afraid of the rides the second time around.

Q: What is your favorite piece of advice or quote?

Jess: Tell the truth always and never quit.

Derin: Enjoy the little things in life...for one day you'll look back and realize they were the big things.

Q: If you could travel anywhere with your family, where would it be and why?

A: New Zealand because it seems like a beautiful place unlike any other in the world.

Q: Who has inspired you in life and why?

A: Both of our Fathers were the most inspiring to us. They were hard-working, honest, faithful, selfless, dedicated, and taught us what it takes to be successful in all aspects of life.



Around Bee Cave

Hill Country Indoor To Open Soon!



Just over the hill from Bee Cave Park, heading West on Bee Cave Parkway, you can't help but notice Hill Country Indoor. The 140,000 sq. ft. building towers above the road and appears to step down the hill in four equal parts. Designed and financed by four local families, the facility will boast not only some of the best views in the hill country, but a one-of-a-kind-sports and fitness experience for individuals and families across central Texas.

The Hill Country Indoor Team is loaded with talent and is as dynamic as the building itself. Qualified and experienced professionals exist across every area of facility operation. Each sport possesses its own director focused specifically on creating and maintaining high quality programming within the sport. Performance and fitness coaches are certified strength and conditioning specialists with ample experience in the field. All four owners, and a majority of the additional team members, are local to the Hill Country area with families and children in the surrounding school systems. While the team and their similarities create a cohesive group, the diversity and originality that exists has truly fabricated something extraordinary.

HCI is an indoor sports facility. With an indoor turf field, four indoor hardwood courts, and six hitting and pitching tunnels, Hill Country Indoor knows sports. Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer, Futsal, Lacrosse, Flag Football, Baseball and Softball round out the traditional sport offerings. Pickleball, Dodgeball, Badminton and Archery Tag are not far behind.

HCI is a fitness destination. 40,000 sq. ft. of the facility is accessible by members only and houses a fully equipped fitness center, luxury locker rooms, group exercise and an indoor walking and jogging track. State-of-the-art equipment and leading-edge

fitness floor design appeals to the full range of fitness-minded individuals.

HCI is a performance hub. With the most qualified strength and conditioning coaches and specialists, the Performance Department is in a league of its own. Combined with the absolute best in performance assessment and technology, performance programs at Hill Country Indoor take it to the next level.

HCI is a place to party! The Family Entertainment Center boasts over twenty themed climbing components and an enormous indoor play scape. The space will be used for drop-in play, after school programs, corporate events, and celebrations of all kinds!

HCI is a community center. The central location in the city, combined with the amenities and programs offered, creates the place to be. Families and individuals from all across the Hill Country will practice, play, train and exercise all together under one roof.

Throughout the development process and into the final stages of construction, the HCI staff can be frequently spotted grabbing burgers at All Star or BBQ at Schmidt's in the Hill Country Galleria. When asked what HCI can be compared to or where it's been done before, the answer always falls back on the uniqueness of the project.

Hill Country Indoor simply cannot be compared to anything in or around the Austin area. It's clear that, architecturally and otherwise, the facility is one-of-a-kind. The combination of a first-class fitness and performance center, child drop off services, open court and field rentals, league play, climbing, convenient concessions and fast Wi-Fi, all within one mile of downtown Bee Cave and Lakeway, is unheard of. Hill Country Indoor is designed to provide you, this community, exactly what it needs.

After breaking ground in June of 2015, the construction team faced harsh Texas elements head on. Officially the wettest year on record for Austin, Texas, the first several months were a challenge. Determination and dedication lead the way. Throughout the development process, the organization fielded questions from the public and made several changes to the products and services offered inside the four walls. The result is a structurally impressive, community-oriented facility postured to serve a wide variety of interests.

This month, workout equipment is being delivered, hard wood flooring is being installed, and the turf field is complete. The facility is scheduled to be open as the kids pack up their summer toys in exchange for new school supplies and backpacks in August.

Members of the facility will be among the first to step through the doors. Membership inquiries and general facility questions can be directed to info@hillcountryindoor.com.

We can't wait for Hill Country Indoor. Once open, this place will be truly special.

School board calls \$253M bond election for Nov. 7

Dear Lake Travis ISD Parents and Guardians,

In a unanimous vote tonight, the Lake Travis school board approved an order calling a \$253 million bond election for November 7, 2017.

Last month, a citizens' advisory committee presented its proposal to the board, calling for district-wide capital improvements to accommodate the district's continued increase in student enrollment. According to demographer Population and Survey Analysts (PASA), student enrollment at Lake Travis ISD has increased by approximately 76% since 2007. Considering a moderate growth rate scenario, projections indicate a continued increase of more than 60% during the next 10 years, resulting in a district-wide enrollment of nearly 16,000 students.

The major components of the district's 2017 bond program include the following:

- Middle School #3
- Elementary School #7
- Upgrades, renovations, and repairs to existing facilities
- School buses, including installation of seat belts
- Technology
- Land for future facilities and utilities

With the recent passage of Senate Bill 693, school districts are required to install seat belts on any school buses purchased after September 2017. As a result, the district has allocated \$1.3 million to the November bond package to cover the cost of equipping its existing fleet of buses and any new bus purchases with seat belts. We are obligated to meet the requirements of this new law, and we are lucky enough to have the advantage of an upcoming bond election to address this issue.

In 2011, the district's most-recent bond election, voters approved a \$158.5 million referendum for the construction of two new schools as well as the expansion of two existing campuses, among other district-wide upgrades and improvements. As a result, the district's tax rate increased by \$0.0916 to a total tax rate of \$1.4075 per \$100 of assessed property valuation.

The exciting news is, the entire 2017 package can be done without an increase to our current tax rate. That is a rare occurrence in school bond elections and a highly significant position for the district and our taxpayers. The zero impact to our current tax rate comes as a result of our district paying down our current debt early. In fact, over the past five years, LTISD has saved its taxpayers more than \$27 million in interest through aggressive debt management, resulting in increased capacity for future bond programs.

Additional information on the bond program, including an itemized list of projects, will be available on the Lake Travis ISD website beginning June 26. Community presentations regarding the 2017 bond program will begin in the fall.

Until then, I wish you and your family a restful summer!

Sincerely,

Brad Lancaster, Ed.D.

Superintendent of Schools

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LTlov Invested \$53,454 dollars in Annual Grants and Program Funding for 2017!

Each year, LTlov grants funds to other non-profits who share their vision and mission of neighbors helping neighbors to overcome limiting circumstances. The money used to grant funds is collected through a diverse list of individuals, corporations and foundations who believe in the mission of LTlov and trust their organizational efficiency to be good stewards of their donations. This year, LTlov funded grants to 11 organizations totaling \$25,454 dollars. In addition, LTlov also reserved funding in the amount of \$28,000 dollars for their College Scholarships program, Kids Free Dental Day program and School Supplies' Project Supply Pack program.

Congratulations to the following organizations chosen by the membership of LTlov to receive a 2017 Annual Grant: the Austin School for the Performing & Visual Arts, the Center for Child Protection, Crafting Comfort, Dream a Dream Therapeutic Horsemanship, Helping Hand Crisis Ministry of Spicewood, Lake Travis Crisis Ministry, Lake Travis High School's Project Graduation, Partners in Hope, Peaceful Dreams, RED Arena and Youth2Seniors. To learn more about LTlov's Grants Funding program, please visit ltlov.org.

Pictured, from left, LTlov's 2017 College Scholarship recipients: Hunter Hundley who will attend TCU with a major in Biology, Huong Nguyen who will attend Texas A&M with a major in Biochemistry and Will Smith who will attend UT San Antonio with a major in Cybersecurity.



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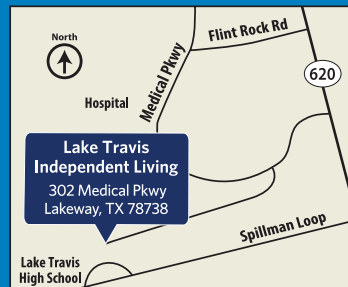
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Around Bee Cave

LTlov Thrift Shop



The Ladies of Charity - Lake Travis Thrift Shop (“Thrift Shop”) provides a unique shopping experience in Lakeway. We have many customers that donate and shop with us, but there are many things that they and other area residents don’t know. Here are ten things, come

including Mobile Loaves & Fishes, Mary Catholic Worker and Saint Louise House.

4) We support the families of our wounded warriors through Air Warriors Courage Foundation/ Project Christmas Hope, another Lakeway organization by providing clothing for the children of warriors at San Antonio Medical Center and by sponsoring Honor Flights to Washington D.C. for our veterans.

5) The Thrift Shop has been supporting the area for 26 years! LOC-LT was founded in 1991 to provide financial support to Lake Travis Crisis Ministries. This is our third location due to continued growth and success.

6) The Thrift Shop is staffed by a very ecumenical group of volunteers from Lakeway and surrounding areas.

7) Our volunteers provide over 36,000 hours of service each year. We continue to welcome new volunteers that have 3 hours a week to volunteer in our shop.

8) We have partnered with local chapters of National Charity League and Young Men’s Service League, who share a love

by to find out more.

1) Ladies of Charity – Lake Travis (LOC-LT), by means of the Thrift Shop, is the largest provider of aide in the Lake Travis ISD, having provided over \$3,000,000 in financial support and over \$3,000,000 in In-Kind donations.

2) This aide is in support of over twenty five (25) local and Central Texas 501(c)(3) charities including 3 local crisis centers: Lake Travis Crisis Ministries, Helping Hand of Spicewood, and St. Vincent De Paul Society of Spicewood. These three are guaranteed monthly support.

3) We provide funding for several shelters for the homeless

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of community service and volunteer as mother/child teams in the shop.

9) Our shop offers a boutique shopping experience: Designer Clothes, Fine Jewelry, Purses, Shoes, Housewares, Furniture, Toys, Books, Vintage Items, and even items from the Dallas

Market.

10) We have started a High Noon Auction on the 4th Saturday of the month and offer unique items. The items are available on a Silent Auction or Buy It Now opportunity for 2 weeks prior to the live auction.

If you haven't discovered us yet, please come by. We are located behind the Jack Brown Cleaners at 1508 Ranch Road 620 S, facing High Five. We are open Tuesday – Saturday 10-4 for shopping and Monday - Saturday for donations. We are open late on Wednesdays, from 10-7. Visit our web site at www.laketravisthrift.com, and find us on Facebook, LinkedIn, and Instagram. Donate. Shop. Volunteer.

26th Annual Alzheimer's Texas Walk October 7, Camp Mabry

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This year marks the 26th Annual Alzheimer's Walk for support, care, and research hosted by Alzheimer's Texas. The walk will be held on the morning of October 7 at Camp Mabry in Austin, Texas. Alzheimer's Texas, a local nonprofit organization serving Central Texas for 35 years, separated from the National Alzheimer's Association in January 2016. As a result, 100% of the funds raised will remain local to be used here in Central Texas. Along with the new logo, Alzheimer's Texas changed its signature colors to blue and gold.

"We are, and always have been, deeply committed to providing families in Central Texas with compassionate services that are relevant to their needs, like our caregiver support groups and great educational programs," says Christian Wells, President of Alzheimer's Texas. "When people walk with us on October 7th, they know that they are supporting the services they value and will directly touch the people living with Alzheimer's in Central Texas."

The 2017 Honorary Family is The Amos Family. The Amos Family Team has participated in the event for several years and is led by family member, Sharhonda Broaders. "The Walk has always been a fun local event, but now more than ever it is an opportunity for Central Texans to get together to celebrate the difference we're making on a local level, for those affected by Alzheimer's, like the Amos Family," says Wells.

The Alzheimer's Texas Walk will be held Saturday, October 7 at the Camp Mabry, with check-in beginning at 8:15 am. There are two scenic routes for Walkers to enjoy, a 1 mile course and a 2.5 mile course. In addition to the Walk, the event will feature food, music, activities for kids, prizes, and more. All participants who raise \$50 or more will receive a free event T-shirt. Teams who raise the most money and have the most members are recognized along with top fundraisers. To learn more and register for the 2017 Alzheimer's Texas Walk and keep your fundraising dollars for Alzheimer's local, visit www.txalz.org/walk.

ABOUT ALZHEIMER'S TEXAS

Alzheimer's Texas is dedicated to eliminating Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research and to enhancing care and support for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, their families, and caregivers. The organization provides care consultations, 24-hour help line, support groups, respite care, educational and social engagement programs, and professional training. Alzheimer's Texas was founded in 1982 and serves Central Texas. For more information, visit www.txalz.org.



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Around Bee Cave

SPICEWOOD ARTS SOCIETY

CENTRAL TEXAS ARTISTS INVITED TO SUBMIT WORK FOR ARTS ROUND-UP

The Spicewood Arts Society invites central Texas artists to apply by July 17 for the opportunity to exhibit their work at the fourteenth annual Arts Round-Up festival Oct. 28 and 29.

“The juried exhibition consistently has become a popular show for artists and guests alike,” said Vicki McGowen, festival chairperson. “Central Texas artists working in all 2D and 3D media are encouraged to apply for this very cost-effective show.”

The festival will be held at LaCabana Grill, 21103 Highway 71, Spicewood. The shady grounds have picnic tables, children’s play area, and outdoor food service, besides the restaurant.

The Spicewood Arts Society (SAS) is an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization supporting the visual, performing and literary arts in the Spicewood community.

“We want to bring excellent art to the community and support our regional artists,” said McGowen.

All art must be original works by the artist. A jury of artists and members of the SAS board of directors will select applicants. Applications are being received through Zapplication, www.zapplication.org.

More information about Arts Round-Up will be posted on the website, www.artsroundup.org, as it is finalized



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WITH JOSH STIVERS

Odds are good that you know who Tony Robbins is. If you don't, he is famous for selling his self-help programs to millions through TV infomercials, and he successfully trains thousands of people who attend his events to walk on fire at the end of the first day.

So what in the world does a "self-help guru" know about investing?

The answer a few years ago was – not a lot. But when Tony wants to learn something, he doesn't do it in a small way.

Tony decided that he wanted to learn the secrets of investing like the Billionaires do. So he went out and interviewed them. What he learned went into a new book he is releasing called "Money – Master the Game".

For those of you who want the short version, here are four key points:

1. Don't lose money. Billionaire investors focus on not losing money over everything else.
2. Risk a little to make a lot. Look for the home run, but only do it with a small amount of your portfolio.
3. Anticipate and diversify. Educate yourself so you can be knowledgeable, and when the moment is there, strike! But

make sure you diversify as billionaire investors always assume that they will be wrong.

4. You are never done. Billionaires continue to learn and never stop. You should do the same.

If you ask me, I would say those are four great investment points to live by. I would also tell you that reading Tony's book is a good idea.

At Platinum Wealth Advisory, we have had the pleasure of partnering with the organization that supported Robbins on this current book project. As a result, we want to make the book available to our community. We will be providing a free copy of the book to anyone who would like to participate in our Retirement Investment Plan Consultation Process.

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