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Spicewood Community Alliance



Spicewood Community Alliance is a non-political, non-profit group to promote and encourage smart/intelligent business and residential growth within the Spicewood area. Spicewood Community Alliance reaches out to community and area resources to provide educational research and resources to the community in an effort to help and promote educated decision/solution making over knee jerk reactions.

Spicewood Community Alliance recently coordinated with Spicewood Environmental Protection Alliance, Double Horn Creek, Spicewood Trails, Texas Environmental Protection Coalition and area residents to have a rally to drive awareness and protest against the appearance of government rubber stamping a new proposal for a Rock Quarry/Rock Crushing plant. In addition to the protesting the effort handed out information on the dangers of the possible cancer causing dust, environmental and safety hazards. The new Spicewood Quarry and Rock Crusher is surprisingly planned to be placed on approximately 290 acre tract nestled tightly between two major residential neighborhoods - backing up the Heavily industrial business to numerous existing homes. The current Texas governor (Gregg Abbott) appears to be turning a deft ear to residents attempt to contact him with regard to health, environmental or direct resident concerns; In what was explained by the Governor's office as an effort to promote a Probusiness tempo throughout Texas. Unofficial comments made by Abbots' offices were that this Pro-business approach will allow business to self-manage any health/welfare or development issues; other rumblings within the Abbott and Texas business backed PACs indicate a desire to over-turn existing laws or push forward new laws that block the ability of communities to limit any type of business regardless of possible health or welfare issue.

Spicewood Community Alliance also held a public meeting on September 23, 2018 at Spicewood Elementary; to help educate the Spicewood community on options to manage the current appearance of unregulated growth. In addition to the growth of the community the group discussed Texas Highway 71 expansion plans with leading input from Joe Don Dockery, Burnet County Commissioner, on a schedule, timeframe and areas for the construction. Additional possible meetings were discussed before the current planned follow-up meeting with Thomas Ranch development (tentatively planned in January 2019). Spicewood Community Alliance is on Facebook and has a website.

Facebook - www.facebook.com/SaveOurSpicewood Website - www.SaveOurSpicewood.com

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| Marble Falls High School | |
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Falltober III Is October 28 at One Chapel Lake Travis!



Falltober III, the annual seasonal community event at One Chapel Lake Travis, 22800 Hwy 71 West in Spicewood, is Sunday, October 28, from 4-8 pm! Hundreds of children and adults gather at this fun, free event, to play on a rock-climbing wall, bungee trampoline, and bouncy houses, dress up in costumes for a costume contest, participate in 3-on-3 basketball, and enjoy delicious food available for sale.

Falltober III has lots more in store. Classic cars will be on display for parents to view while kids participate in candy-laden Trunk or Treat, games and face painting. All the guests can enjoy live music. A pumpkin patch will display hundreds of pumpkins for sale and offer photo opportunities.

Additional parking in a lot at the end of Hart Hollow Rd. adjacent to the church is provided this year, along with the neighboring streets with golf cart service to the event itself after parking. Burgers and hot dogs, barbeque and handcrafted tacos are on the menu as well as chips, sodas and water.

Attendees are asked to bring one canned good or shelf stable food item per person when entering. The items collected will go to local food banks. Nearly 1,000 pounds were donated last year.

One Chapel Lake Travis is part of a neighborhood of churches with a mission to help people move from where they are to where God wants them to be. Currently, three One Chapel churches serve the greater Austin area - in Spicewood (One Chapel Lake Travis),

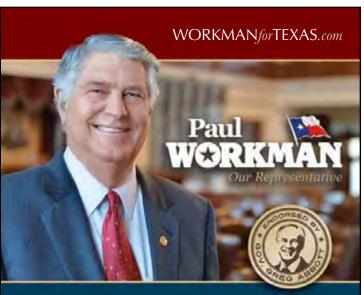
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Austin and Kyle. They gather each Sunday, at 9:30 and 11:30 am, and with groups during the week, to worship, explore scripture, and find community. For more information about or to participate in Falltober III, call Alecia Ormsby at 512-344-9777. To find out more about One Chapel, go to www.onechapel.com.







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Highland Lakes of SPCA Putts4Pups Fundraiser

Each year, Highland Lakes SPCA works to find forever homes for hundreds of dogs abandoned to the streets or on "death row" at municipal county facilities in Burnet, Llano, Blanco and Travis counties. Since its founding in 1999 HLSPCA, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, has rescued, rehabilitated and found forever home for more than 1,700 dogs! And their work continues around the clock to staff and maintain their 24x7 kennel operation. HLSPCA relies 100% on the contributions of individual donors, small grants and business partners like you. This year their annual charity golf tournament fundraiser, Putts4Pups, will be held on Sunday, October 21st at Barton Creek Lakeside: shotgun start at 12:30pm, lunch, golf cart, dinner, raffles, prizes and live music included, all in the celebration of canine rescue. The proceeds from this wonderful event directly go to the expenses of caring for the dogs until they are matched with the right families. To join the fun and find more into on Putts4Pups, visit hlspca.org.





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Pickens and Clark Fundraiser Update

The Spicewood community rallied at a barbeque fundraiser on September 9 to provide funds to assist two Spicewood families struggling with cancer, donating over \$24,000! Nancy Pickens was diagnosed with cancer for a third time and Lilly Clark, 6, received a Leukemia diagnosis, both in late August.

Rain did not keep away the crowds from enjoying the delicious feast prepared by Steve and Erin Schugart, and the event-goers who had to enjoy the food inside of One Chapel Lake Travis instead of outside on the picnic tables. Breakfast tacos, smoked brisket, local sausage and pulled pork were offered from 9 am until 2 pm at One Chapel Lake Travis, 22800 Hwy 71 West. The entire community was invited to donate to a good cause. Both families expressed heartfelt thanks to those who donated.

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Food, Fun, and Fine Art - It's Time for Arts Round-Up



Food, fun and some pretty fine art will all be on hand the weekend of Oct. 27-28 at the annual Spicewood Arts Round-up festival on the shady grounds of La Cabana Grill, Spicewood.

Hours are 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Sunday.

Admission is free to the family-friendly event, but donations are appreciated.

Sponsored by the Spicewood Arts Society, the juried art show presents the work of over 35 expert artists from central Texas and beyond representing a variety of genres: glass, jewelry, sculpture, painting, and more. The Arts Round-Up also recognizes the art programs in Lake Travis and Marble Falls schools by featuring student art from both at all grade levels.

Festival guests will hear a full program of music by well-liked local performers. The Spicewood Elementary School Choir opens at noon on Saturday, followed by music from 2018 Marble Falls High School graduates Noah Reily and Sydney Kelley, both awarded SAS scholarships. The Troll Smashers Trio is next, with dance favorites the Square Grooves closing the day.

Sunday brings singer/songwriter Ed Turek and the bluegrass band One Eye Open, a crowd favorite.

La Cabana Grill, restored after a devastating fire last winter, will be at full strength producing tacos and other Tex-Mex fare. La Cabana is located at 21103 Hwy. 71 West, Spicewood. Organizers ask that no alcohol be brought onto the festival grounds.



Lake Travis Polo and Equine Club



Abigayle McVaney

Abigayle McVaney recently graduated from Lake Travis High School earning a spot on the Texas State University Arena Polo Team after achieving high academic grades Lake Travis High School and scholarship from the United States Polo Association.

Her love and involvement in the equine world was as early as she can remember. Her parents, Ron and Dena McVaney,

the involvement of equine related organizations like 4-H and interscholastic arena polo.

This past year Abigayle felt a need for Lake Travis High School to have an equine club for her peers to join with common interest, goals in the equine world and a place to achieve a Varsity Lettering Program recognized through LTHS and information on equine related scholarships for higher education.

This was accomplished by her getting approval from Mr. Butler, the principle, Dr. Lancaster, the superintendent, writing up bylaws, getting students involved and having a teacher, Mr. Foxworth, who endorsed the program and open up his room for students to congregate.

As being president of the LT Polo and Equine Club she accomplished and received her Varsity Letter along with several other students and a scholarship to be an athlete arena Polo player at the college of her choice. She was excepted in the Texas State University computer and engineering program and will be in the Arena Polo Team.

Her accomplishments are that she served as President of Lake Travis

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SPICEWOOD ARTS SOCIETY

2018-19 Art Treks Travel from Weird to Eternal



Registration for the new season of Spicewood Art Society Art Treks is underway. This year's treks offer a peek into the rarely-seen aspects of Austin that make it unique.

A ten percent is available by signing up for all three treks. The same discount is available for a fourth bonus trek, "Austin's Past.. .Still Present!" which will travel to the state capitol building and the state cemetery. Register for the treks at www.spicewoodarts.org.

Cost always includes transportation, gratuities, and admissions, and may also include lunch. Wine and snacks are usually on hand. All treks leave from and return to Barton Creek Lakeside Clubhouse, 1900 Clubhouse Drive, Spicewood.

Trek 1 Keeping Austin Weird, Wacky & Wonderful! Thursday, November 1, 2018 Cost: \$120 (includes transportation, gratuities, admissions, lunch and wine)

Trekkers discover the hidden jewel of Laguna Gloria, visit the eclectic personal masterpiece of Charles Moore, UT Professor of Architecture, eat lunch at the Texas Chili Parlor, and tour Casa Neverlandia, a unique home! More "Austin Weird" locations along the way. A glass of wine will be offered on the way back to Spicewood. This trek is limited to 24 persons.

Trek 2 New Braunfels.....Texas Old World Heritage! Thursday, December 6, 2018 Cost: \$135 (includes transportation, gratuities, admissions, lunch & afternoon wine/snacks)

Spend the day in a guided exploration of the history, art and culture of this historic town, home to the oldest bakery and dance hall in Texas. Stops include the Sophienberg Museum, Conservation Plaza (home to 18 historic buildings) and the Texas Handmade Furniture Museum as well as a driving and walking tour of outdoor art murals, bronze sculptures and Pioneer Monument. Lunch at the

Huisache Grill.

Trek 3 Llano- The HeART of the Texas Hill Country!
Thursday, March 28, 2019
Cost: \$135 (includes light breakfast, transportation, gratuities, admissions, lunch, and afternoon snacks & wine)

Metalsmiths Charles Wendt of Rocking W Spurs Studio, featured on TV's Handmade in America, and Ralph Moresco of West Shore Wind Spirals will each demonstrate their unique styles. Visit the Llano Fine Arts Guild & Gallery for a demonstration of the woodcarving skills of Randy Hurst. Enjoy lunch at Badu 1891 and a walk in the gardens followed by shopping and gallery hopping in downtown Llano. Wine and cheese on the patio of Tor Na Lochs Winery.

Special Bonus Trek Austin's Past.....Still Present! Thursday, February 21, 2019 Cost: \$115 (includes transportation, gratuities, admissions, lunch, and afternoon snacks & wine)

Dave Stauch, responsible for design and construction of the \$183 million Texas Capitol Extension and Restoration program, will share his knowledge of the Capitol and offer a look behind the scenes of the historic renovation. Enjoy lunch at The Carillion in the UT AT&T conference Center. Trekkers peruse a time capsule of Texas' most intriguing moments. Tour the Texas State Cemetery, the final resting place of legendary Texans.



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"55 Plus Seminar Series" to Educate Austin Older Adult Homeowners

Series of Free Educational Seminars Provide Answers to Later-Life Issues



The truth. It's what Austin homeowners want concerning later-inlife housing issues like: The Truth About Selling As-Is, and Living, Dying & Leaving a Legacy.

These topics, along with others, will be presented in the upcoming 55 Plus Seminar Series as 90-minute monthly educational seminars continue into June at Laura Bush Community Library. Adults 55+, seniors, and caregivers are invited to attend the free "55 Plus Seminar Series" to learn the actual facts about issues related to home ownership and post-retirement downsizing in the Austin area.

There are a lot of myths out there about what you must or "should" do in order to sell your home. The myths are perpetuated by shows on television featuring real estate agents with pearly white teeth and selling tiny homes for 2 million dollars. Real estate agents further confuse the issue because they advertise homes as "totally remodeled" and make it seem as though these homes are the only ones available.

During this 90-minute panel presentation, we will discuss the pro's and con's of fixing up a home to sell, as well as the pitfalls and benefits to selling 'as-is."

Here are just a few of the questions that will be answered: What is necessary to sell a home in the Austin City metropolitan area? What does 'as-is' really mean and does it make financial sense to sell that way? How do I know if an as-is cash offer is a fair offer?

This series of candid conversations and expert panel discussions about the unique and often complex issues facing long-time homeowners is to be moderated by Cyndi Cummings CSHP, SRES, CSA, considered a leading authority on issues related to downsizing,

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2018 SCHEDULE

PRESEASON

| DAY | DATE | OPPONENT | SITE | VARSITY | JV | 9TH BLACK | 9TH RED |
|-------------------|------------------|--|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Wednesday-Friday | August 1st-3rd | Tryouts Begin | LTHS | Two-A-Days | Two-A-Days | Two-A-Days | Two-A-Days |
| Saturday | August 4th | **Scrimmings (LT, Drip, Rouse & Westwood) | LTHS | 9:00 | 10:00 | 10:00 | 10:00 |
| Tuesday | August 7th | **Antonian | LTHS | 2:00 | 12:00 | 2:00 | 12:00 |
| Thursday-Saturday | August 9th-11th | Texas Volleyball Invitational (Varsity Only) | Pearland, Texas | TBD | | | |
| Monday | August 13th | Westwood | Westwood | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Tuesday | August 14th | **Churchill | LTHS | 4:30 | 3:30 | 3:30 | 2:30 |
| Thursday-Saturday | August 16th-18th | Fraulen Festival Tournament (Varsity Only) | New Braunfels, Texas | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |

| DAY | DATE | OPPONENT | SITE | VARSITY | ĮV | 9TH BLACK | 9TH RED |
|-------------------|----------------------|---|----------------|----------|------|-----------|---------|
| Tuesday | August 21st | **Anderson | LTHS | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Thursday-Saturday | August 23rd-25th | VolleyPalooza Tournament (Varsity Only) | Leander, Texas | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| Tuesday | August 28th | **Austin High | LTHS | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Thursday-Saturday | August 30 & Sept 1st | Dripping Springs Sub-Varsity Tournament | DSHS/DSMS | Practice | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| Friday | August 31st | **Del Valle | LTHS | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Tuesday | September 4th | Lehman | Lehman | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Friday | September 7th | Hays | Hays | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Tuesday | September 11th | **Westlake (Staff Appreciation) | LTHS | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Friday | September 14th | Bowie | Bowie | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Saturday | September 15th | **LT Invitational Sub-Varsity Tournament | LTHS | Practice | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| Tuesday | September 18th | **Ann Richards (LTYA & Little Sister Night) | LTHS | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | |
| Friday | September 21st | **Akins | LTHS | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Tuesday | September 25th | Anderson | Anderson | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Friday | September 28th | Austin High | Austin High | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Tuesday | October 2nd | Del Valle | Del Valle | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Friday | October 5th | **Lehman (Homecoming) | LTHS | 5:30 | 6:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Tuesday | October 9th | **Hays (Dig for the Cure) (Middle School Night) | LTHS | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Friday | October 12th | Westlake | Westlake | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Tuesday | October 16th | **Bowie (Senior & Kardivas Night) | LTHS | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |
| Friday | October 19th | Ann Richards | Ann Richards | 7:30 | 6:30 | / | 5:30 |
| Tuesday | October 23rd | Akins | Akins | 6:30 | 5:30 | 5:30 | 6:30 |

POST SEASON PLAYOFFS

| DAY | DATE | OPPONENT | SITE | VARSITY | JV | 9TH BLACK | 9TH RED |
|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|---------|---------|-----|-----------|---------|
| Monday-Tuesday | October 29th & 30th | UIL Bi-District Playoffs | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| Thursday-Friday | November 1st-3rd | UIL Area Playoffs | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| Monday-Tuesday | November 5th-6th | UIL Regional Quarterfinals | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| Friday-Saturday | November 9th-10th | UIL Regional Tournament | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| Wednesday-Saturday | November 14th-17th | UIL State Tournament | GARLAND | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |

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Abi riding Tomahawk

Polo and Equine Club, president of Austin Equine 4-H Club, Team Captain of Countyline Interscholastic Polo Club, student ambassador of Polo Kids Foundation.

She also earned a sponsorship for her Polo Club through Olathe Boot

Company, fundraising through Chili's restaurant and headed up a fundraising program for her team to compete in arena polo regionals.

Lake Travis Polo and Equine Club meets every other Wednesday during Cavs hour in Mr. Foxworth's room.

If you are interested in the USPA arena polo program for Lake Travis High School students or surrounding schools please contact the coach Seth Bray at info@countylinepolo.com or call (512)914-4901.



Girls conditioning horses: Aubrey McVaney, Tori Mast, & Abigayle McVaney





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later-life relocation and (55+) senior living solutions in Austin. As a Certified Senior Housing Professional, Cyndi Cummings has made it her mission to educate and guide both consumers and professionals on best practices related to post-retirement living.

"Understanding whether staying in your current home or making a move would be better for you, requires information from trusted resources," said Cummings. "Many seniors have no idea what is available to them, how much it will cost, or the process for making all the pieces fit together. We want to give them helpful information, introduce them to information that can help to answer their questions. Beyond helping with immediate needs, our intention is give individuals and families the both direction and confidence so they feel empowered when the time comes to make a major life decision."

The 55 plus Seminar Series continues with "Selling As-Is" on October 23rd and Living, "Dying & Leaving a Legacy" on November 27th. The remaining calendar is located at www.55plusseminarseries. com.

There is no cost to attend for those age 55 or older. Reservations can be made by calling 512-937-2772 or online at www.55plusseminarseries. com. Space is limited and pre-registration is required.

More about the hosts:

The Austin Senior Resource Alliance is made up of professionals across many fields of service in the Austin, Texas area. Seniors today have a vast array of decisions to make and options to choose from. Our specialists are not only at the top of their field, but have specialized knowledge in the benefits available to seniors and are experienced in working with senior clients.

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Tips for Packing a Healthy School Lunch

by Stephany Pando, cooksmarts.com, edited for space

Packing lunches for your back-to-schoolers is no easy task. It takes time and planning. Plus, every parent knows that just because you pack it, doesn't guarantee your kids will actually eat it.

However, this doesn't mean you have to fill your kids' lunchboxes with pizza and cookies everyday. Below we offer 5 tips for how to pack a nutritious lunch that your kids will look forward to eating and you'll feel good about giving them.

Tip #1: Get Your Kids Involved

- Give your kids healthy food options from each food group and let them make the final decisions on what goes in their lunch.
- Take your child grocery shopping with you and let them have a say (to a certain extent) in what goes into the cart. This promotes feelings of responsibility and empowerment.
- Designate a part of your kitchen as the "lunch packing station" and spend some time there with your kids the night before to get lunch ready for the next day.

Tip #2: Turn Healthy Foods into Fun Foods

- Use cookie cutters to make shapes out of bread, deli meat, cheese, or a melon-baller for fruit.
- Use kid-friendly skewers to make colorful food kebabs.
- Create a theme for the day and have all of the foods in their lunch relate to the theme

Tip #3: Make Your Own Snacks – and limit processed ones

Kids rely on snacks to keep their energy up, but the type of snack is important to consider. Packaged snacks tend to lack important nutrients and can be high in sugar, sodium and saturated fats. Take control of what is in your kids' snacks by making them yourself!

Tip #4: Incorporate All Food Groups

A balanced diet includes all of the food groups. Luckily, there are so many different ways to enjoy each food group:

- Fruits: fresh, frozen, dried, canned, baked (think apple chips!) or pureed.
- Vegetables: fresh, frozen, or baked (think kale chips!)
- Lean protein: baked chicken, deli meats, hard boiled eggs, beans or nuts (be aware of nut allergy regulations at your child's school).
- Low-fat dairy: milk, cheese or yogurt
- Whole Grains: pita, sandwich bread, tortillas, wraps, and pastas

Tip#5: Encourage Hydration

It's recommended that school-aged kids drink between 6-8 cups of water a day (even more in hot weather or if their activity level is high).

 Let your child pick out their favorite water bottle and encourage them to drink the whole thing at least twice at school. They'll be more inclined to do it if they feel like they are completing a challenge!

With these tips in mind, you and your child are ready to start out the school year on the right foot. Good luck – and happy packing!

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