

# SPICEWOOD ARTS SOCIETY BETO AND THE FAIRLANES RETURN TO SPICEWOOD STAGE

Celebrating the tenth "Toast to Tony" anniversary, Beto and the Fairlanes return to the Spicewood Vineyards stage with special guests Javier Chaparro, Mitch Watkins and Tomas Ramirez.

Beto and the Fairlanes have been delighting audiences for 40 years with their original blend of jazz, swing and world beat music. In 2017 they were inducted into the Austin Music Hall of Fame and their star was installed on Corpus Christi's Sound Texas Music Walk of Fame.

The band was founded in late 1970's by Robert "Beto" Skiles, a native of San Antonio with degrees in music from UT-Austin and the University of North Texas. Skiles is well known as a jazz pianist in Austin.

"I expected the club to last no more than a year, maybe two at

best," Skiles said. "Well, miracle of miracles, as of this writing, Beto and the Fairlanes has flourished for over 40 years!"

During that magical music decade that was the '70's, KUT featured them in a live broadcast. All the station's phones lit up, creating an instant fan base that's kept growing.

The annual concerts, closing the Spicewood Arts Society's season, commemorate Tony Campise, a beloved Austin woodwind musician who met an untimely death in 2010.

The concert begins at 7 p.m. at the Spicewood Vineyards Event Center, 1419 Co. Rd. 409, Spicewood. Complimentary water, coffee and snacks will be served at intermission and wine is available for purchase. Attendees are asked not to bring alcohol onto the Vineyard grounds.



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We believe that getting to know the people who live nearby will help us create a sense of belonging and shared identity. We have created a column entitled, "Get to Know Your Neighbors" which we hope will strengthen connections, build trust in our wider community, and contribute to a happier neighborhood for everyone.

If you know of a person or a family that you believe is making Spicewood a better place to live, please let us know. We would like to introduce them to your neighbors.

Email Kelly@peelinc.com to be featured in a future issue.



# Additional Easter Services Offered at One Chapel Lake Travis

A sunrise breakfast from 7:00-8:00 am, and an additional 8:00 am service will be available on Easter Sunday, April 21, at One Chapel Lake Travis, located at 22800 HWY 71 West. Regular service times of 9:30 and 11:30 am will also be offered. The theme this year is "There's a place for you" at the church family of Christ followers, and the service will feature uplifting worship music and an inspirational message. A photo booth with a photographer will allow individuals, couples and families to take pictures of themselves in their Easter finery.

The Sunday before, March 25, is Palm Sunday and will conclude the current series on the book of James, the "How To" manual for the Christian life. Between services on that day, at 11:15 am, an Easter egg hunt will be conducted for the children, while adults enjoy specialty coffee and treats.

To listen to a past message online, go to onechapel.com/messages, select "Podcasts," and then choose the message you would like to listen to from One Chapel Lake Travis.

One Chapel Lake Travis is part of a neighborhood of churches united in one purpose: to keep Jesus at the center of everything they do. Currently, three One Chapel churches serve the greater Austin area - in Spicewood, Austin and Kyle. They gather each Sunday, and with groups during the week, to worship, explore scripture, and find community. To learn more about One Chapel, go to www. onechapel.com.





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## New Pastor Named at One Chapel Lake Travis



One Chapel Lake Travis welcomes Cynthia Griffith as a new Associate Pastor, serving as a women's counselor, Sunday ministry team leader and prophetic ministry leader at the church, located at 22800 Hwy 71 West. In addition, she currently serves on the Texas Apostolic Prayer Network that prays for Texas legislators and their staff and for local and state issues.

Griffith joins One Chapel after serving as the vice president and co-pastor of College Station Church of Prayer (CSHOP) and director of the Texas House of Prayer Network, both in College Station, Texas from 2010-16. In her role at CSHOP, in which she and her husband, Hyde, built the ministry from the ground up, she managed the budget and 5-8 staff, preached, taught, led worship and mentored members; planned and led conferences,

pastor gatherings, and organized prayer ministries. Serving on the executive leadership team, Griffith also led the CSHOP Campus Ministry at Texas A&M and the missions department.

Griffith holds a bachelor of science in biochemistry from the College of Charleston in South Carolina. She taught science and chemistry to high school, middle school and preschool students, and managed and taught all subjects while homeschooling her three children for seven years. She served on the boards of her children's school's Parent Teacher Organizations when they attended public school in the Houston area.

Leading others into the presence of God is Griffith's passion, igniting a lasting fire in their hearts, and training them to follow Jesus boldly. She has a particular desire to see students of all ages encounter the life changing love of God. She has led prayer and worship ministries in multiple cities for over 25 years.

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By Sen. Robert Nichols, Sen. Kirk Watson and Rep. Geanie W. Morrison

The State of Texas has drawn a line in the sky that limits the height of billboards along our highways. Unfortunately, many billboard owners have ignored it.

A significant number of the billboards across our state, regulated by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), exceed the decades-old height limit of 42.5 feet. This is despite the fact the permit application for every state regulated billboard requires the owner to certify their proposed billboard will comply with this height limit along with other permit provisions.

During the 2017 legislative session, a House amendment was added onto Senate Bill 312, the TxDOT sunset bill which allows the agency to continue to operate. To ensure legislative intent was clear to all, Senator Nichols and Senator Watson held a conversation before a vote was taken on the Senate floor to clarify the amendment being accepted was only to grandfather the billboards over 42.5 feet which were built before 2017. They also clarified that the legislative intent was clear in keeping the billboard height the same for all other billboards. This dialog was put into writing and printed into the Senate journal to show clear legislative intent.

In the months following the 2017 Session, the Texas Transportation Commission, the five-member TxDOT governing board, proposed new rules on this issue. While telephone calls were made and a letter sent to the Commission clarifying the intent of the legislation which was passed, the Commission decided to ignore the decision of the Legislature. They passed a rule to allow all of the approximately 20,000 existing billboards to raise the height to 85 feet, beginning in September 2019, unless a bill is passed by the Legislature this session stating otherwise.

To address this issue this session, Senate Bill 357 (Nichols, R-Jacksonville) and House Bill 3368 (Morrison, R-Victoria) have been filed, which instruct TxDOT to maintain the current 42.5 feet maximum height for all billboards, past and future. The bill also contains a narrow exception to allow approximately 200 billboards subject to settlement agreements with TxDOT to be taller.

Senate Bill 357 has passed the Senate with a bipartisan and unanimous vote of 31-0. The companion Bill, House Bill 3368, will be heard in the House Transportation Committee soon, but the billboard industry is working to stop it. You can add your voice to this debate by contacting your state representative and asking for a vote in favor of House Bill 3368 by Rep. Geanie W. Morrison.

There are very strong opinions on both sides of billboard issues. To some, billboards are a blight on our beautiful landscape. To others, they're an effective tool for economic stimulus and communication. We believe that maintaining the height at 42.5 feet limit is a compromise that will allow billboard advertisements to continue without doing undue harm to the beauty of our great state.

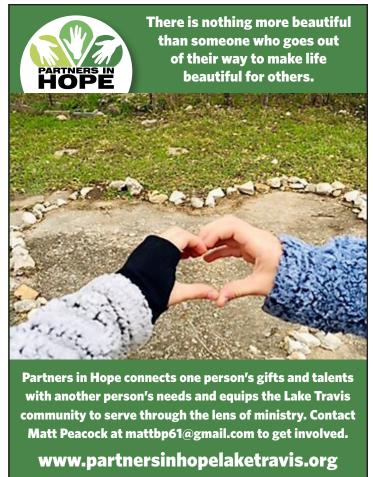
We hope all Texans can agree, and will join us in telling your state representative to pass House Bill 3368 to instruct TxDOT to keep the current height at 42.5 feet! To find your House member,

along with contact information for local and Austin offices, go to "Who Represents Me?" at https://capitol.texas.gov/Home.aspx.

Senator Robert Nichols, R-Jacksonville, SB 357 Bill Author, and former TxDOT Commissioner

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Agave Custom Homes prides themselves on building homes of distinct character and design that reflect the unique surroundings of Central Texas. Each home is custom designed for the land on which it is built, to maximize the value and create a "one of a kind" home!

We were able to interview Builder, Tyler O'Brien, and find out some of Agave Custom Home's favorite designs and inspiration behind each build.



#### Medlin Farmhouse

Seaside, Florida meets the Texas Hill Country. This farmhouse was inspired by a recent trip to Seaside, Florida, Evidence of the coastal influences include the incorporation of fun, lighter colors, white slurry limestone in conjunction with the rustic hill country elements of black windows with light gray trim and cedar accents. This onestory farmhouse inspired home with a bonus room

over the garage has large porches, distant views, white oak flooring, custom cabinets, wallpaper, and designer fixtures. Many reclaimed materials are used throughout the home including the mantle, antique doors into the study, reclaimed wood in the master bathroom, and much more. The kitchen cabinet color was a great incorporation of coastal colors playing off the hint of blue found in the Old Chicago Brick.



#### Rogart Farmhouse

When planning for the design of this home, I walked every square inch of the lot and even climbed a ladder to get an idea of just how much of the lake could be viewed from the home. This



home incorporates the use of brick on both the exterior and interior which you don't see very often in homes in Central Texas. My vision was to bring the water views indoors by creating a space that was light, bright, and calming; to accomplish this we used a lot of lighter shades of whites, blue, and grays throughout the design. The lighting used in this home is some of my favorite yet,

most especially the foyer and kitchen island lights. At night, the lighting by Visual Comfort creates a dramatic statement when someone walks through the doors welcoming them into the home.

#### Fall Creek Farmhouse

Countless hours on Pinterest, Houzz, and Instagram helped me create a new style and look for the Fall Creek Farmhouse. The exposed rafter tails on the porches, single gable roof with a



mix of composition and galvalume, and barn doors for shutters on the exterior windows make this home unique. I went with a darker navy-blue accent on the exterior to pop against the slurry white limestone. The navy-blue exterior color was then incorporated into the interior as an accent color in the family room and kitchen cabinets. The entry and family room features white ship lap on the ceilings with painted beams instead



of stained, which are most common. I made this bold choice because a large amount of reclaimed wood was used throughout the home and I didn't want these new beams to take away from the natural colors in the old wood.

#### Larkhall Farmhouse

Working with the topography of this lot was very difficult in the design stage of the project. My goal was to create a true farmhouse look with cozy rooms and a great outdoor living space. In order to achieve this, I ended up designing a home that encompassed the width of the lot instead of the depth. To embody the key characteristics of a modern farmhouse a majority of the exterior is lap siding with accents of brick. I





incorporated wood columns, handmade shutters, and barn style lighting.

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- 3 chopped green onions
- ½ cup chopped green or red sweet peppers
- 1 clove minced garlic
- 2 small cans tomato sauce
- Salt, pepper & oregano to taste



Cook rice and set aside. Sauté chopped vegetables in 1-2 T cooking oil. Add sausage and cook until almost done. Add shrimp and cook until pink. Stir in cooked rice and tomato sauce. Season to taste. Cook slow (20 minutes to ½ hour) until mixture is firm and moist, but not juicy.

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