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PHOTO ID CARDS:

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Registration Form, Settlement or Closing Statement

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NEXT NEW RESIDENT ORIENTATION:

Thursday, May 21
Club Fair, 8:30 a.m.

CA Presentation, 9:15 a.m.
Social Center Ballroom,
2 Texas Drive



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For Metro Area, type Austin. Type in neighborhood name of Sun City Texas. Complete form. Click Submit.

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See page 138 for list of committee members. See Sun City Texas Resident Directory or www.sctexas.org > Community Association > CA Advisory Committees for description of duties for each committee.

CHARTERED CLUBS (NON SPORTS)

Thursday, March 5, 2 p.m., AC MR 1

COMMUNICATIONS

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COVENANTS

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Thursday, March 5, 8:30 a.m., CCAN
*Open at 10 a.m.

Thursday, March 19, 8:30 a.m., CCAN

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As needed

PROPERTY & GROUNDS

Tuesday, March 10, 1:30 p.m., AC MR 1/2

Tuesday, March 24, 3 p.m., AC MR 1/2

SPORTS

Monday, March 16, 8 a.m., AC MR 1

WILDLIFE

Wednesday, March 4, 3 p.m., AC MR 1/2

Other Committees or Task Forces:

NEIGHBORHOOD REPS

Wednesday, March 18, 9:30 a.m., CCF/G

COPS

Tuesday, March 3, 9:30 a.m., AC MR 1/2



Stay Safe, Sun City

Submitted by the
Georgetown Police Department

Apply Now for Spring 2015 Citizen Police Academy

Thursdays, March 26 - May 28, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The Citizen Police Academy is a 12-week course designed to educate the community on police protocol and procedures. These classes are taught by police officers and intended to provide citizens with an insider's view of the Georgetown Police Department's day-to-day activities.

Sessions take place on Thursday evenings, beginning promptly at 6:30 p.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m. Most classes will be held in the training room of the Public Safety Operations and Training Center (PSOTC), located at 3500 D. B. Wood Road, Georgetown. This unique course will be the very first to be held in this new building, which features state-of-the-art A/V equipment. Some classes may also take place off-site.

CLASSES AND TOPICS

In past CPA courses, topics have included Calling 911, Emergency Response Team (ERT/SWAT) Reactions, Texas DPS, Texas Rangers, Williamson County Sheriff's Office K-9, Interview and Interrogation, Warrants/Municipal and Teen Courts, District and County Courts and Magistrates, Juvenile Justice, Georgetown Police Honor Guard, Hostage Negotiations, and Crime Scene Investigations.

Chief Nero typically teaches a class in "Use of Force." It covers topics such as weaponry (lethal and non-lethal) available to officers and a police perspective of when force is called for and why. In light of current national headlines, this class can sometimes be a genuine eye-opener, providing citizens with a more multifaceted understanding of officers' use of force.

Another significant class is "Shoot/Don't Shoot." In this session, attendees engage in an interactive, life-sized video in which they become a police officer. Armed with a laser weapon, participants must decide in different situations if and when to shoot, offering citizens an accurate depiction of what officers face every day.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications can be found at the PSOTC, or online at https://cityofgeorgetowntx.formstack.com/forms/untitled_form40. A background check will be conducted on all applicants. No one under the age of 18 is eligible to apply. All applicants will be notified of acceptance. For more information, call or email the Volunteer Services Center at 512-930-8457 or vips@georgetown.org.



Let's Communicate!

Jim Romine, Executive Director

Meet Jim Romine

In January, I was delighted to speak at the annual dinner in Neighborhood 46. It was great to get together with this group and discuss some of the goals and major projects we have on the horizon this year. That evening, I was made aware just how little many homeowners know about me – therefore, I wanted to use this opportunity to share a little about myself and my history with the community.

I was hired in July 1996 to manage the Legacy Hills Grille (aka, The Oaks) as their food and beverage director. At that time, the Developer wanted the community to outsource management of this amenity, so the CA contracted with Houston-based food service provider, Prince Foods. The Grille was opened in October 1996, and over the next few years offered lunch and dinner services, eventually adding breakfast on the weekends. Within two years, we transferred management back to the CA, where it remained until 2006.

In 2000, I was promoted to associate executive director, and my responsibilities expanded to include Food and Beverage, Golf, Activities and Communications. These were busy times, and we were in the process of opening Accents Eclectic Eatery in the White Wing Clubhouse. Accents, for those who were not here at the time, was a cafeteria-style restaurant that offered a bakery, deli, grill, and home-style blue plate specials. One popular event we held for many years was the All-You-Can-Eat Burger Night. That was quite popular and I will leave it at that.

In 2006, our then-executive director left the company, and the Board appointed a search committee to find a replacement. I was blessed to receive their support and, later that year, was promoted to the executive director position, which I have

held ever since. I have always loved working in Sun City, and have seen many changes over the years. Since becoming the executive director, I have received my Professional Community Association Manager (PCAM) and Large Scale Manager (LSM) designations from Community Association Institute (CAI). I am proud of these designations, especially the LSM, since only 84 people worldwide have achieved this designation.

Beyond the Sun City picture, I was born in Huntington, West Virginia, but most of my pre-college school days were on the west coast in California in a then-small town called Calabasas. I moved to Texas in 1981 and immediately went to work as a roustabout on an offshore oil rig, each month spending two weeks on the rig and two weeks off. This was a great experience which sealed my desire to go to college and not be in the oil field business. I graduated in 1986 from Southwest Texas State University (now called Texas State) with a bachelor of Business Administration, and I have remained in this area ever since. I have served on the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce, worked with our local CAI chapter and currently serve on the Community Managers International Association Board of Directors. I am married to my best friend Jerri and have two boys, Jeremy and Jakob. I have always enjoyed running, spending time on the beach and the music of the Grateful Dead. In closing, I would like to thank this community for allowing me to be a part of it for so many years, and for all of the support you have provided me and my staff. I love it here and hope Sun City Texas will remain my home for many years to come.

Take care,

Jim

Board Member Views Submitted by Gary E. Preston, Secretary

Oh, What a Year We...

HAD! Our staff worked hard and, at the end of the year, fared very well on our resident satisfaction survey. Our Executive Director, Jim Romine, received his Large Scale Manager (LSM) designation, an honor bestowed upon fewer than 85 such managers worldwide! We learned of an expansion for our community, bringing us from a target of 7,500 homes to approximately 10,000. Our HOA fees remain on the low end of the scale for the breadth of our amenities and services. While we acknowledge that crime is subjective, our overall crime rate remains very low - accounting for approximately 20% of the residents in Georgetown, we enjoy a crime rate of less than 3%. We were notified of a significant property tax increase. Last but not least, I think I am seeing more residents set their cruise controls near 35mph when driving our main roads. At least I think fewer folks are blowing by me daily. Wheewh!

HAVE! Heading into 2015, Sun City Texas continues to be rated as one of the best “age restricted” communities in the country, while Georgetown continues ranking as one of the best places to retire! Following several years of serious drought, we have budgeted to begin a refresh of our Common Areas. Now

that the new year is in full swing, the refresh has begun and our staff is working hard. Both Board and staff are working to address the tax issue and we are optimistic about the outcome, though we recognize that there is no easy, quick solution and a complete resolution may take some time. As to the expansion, when dealing with the government it never goes as quickly as desired. Pulte was ready to break ground on the extension of Pedernales Falls Drive but, at the time of this writing, is still waiting on City permits. The Expansion Task Force Committees formed by Pulte are getting organized and a Town Hall is tentatively scheduled for April – watch for the notice!

This year, we aim to participate in the expansion process any way we can to ensure we remain one of, if not the best community of its type in the nation. We also intend to capture planning data, which will allow us to develop ongoing plans for the community, and to identify fiscally responsible strategies for independently funding future community features. Studying the sustainability of golf will help determine what Pulte will or will not build. However, as a community, we need to be able to utilize this information after Pulte’s departure and over the long haul.

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Upcoming Board Workshops and Meetings

Workshops and Meetings held quarterly



WORKSHOP

Thursday, May 14
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RESIDENT DIRECTORS' OPEN SESSION

Wednesday, May 20, 3 p.m., CCG



MEETING

Thursday, May 28
 1 p.m., SCB, Live on Channel 79
 Board Agenda and Minutes are posted online at www.sctexas.org > Resident Home
 Community Association Info > Board.

Board Meetings and Workshops are shown live on Channel 79. BOD Meetings are rebroadcast on the day of the meeting at 6 and 8 p.m. and the following Wednesday at 6 p.m. Workshops are rebroadcast at 6 and 8 p.m. the day of the workshop.

Calling all Board Candidates!

Submitted by Katie Sutton, Director of Administration and Human Resources

If you are interested in becoming a candidate for the Sun City Texas Board of Directors, you may pick up an "Application to Serve as Director of SCTXCA" in the Member Services Office. These packets, with the necessary forms, will be available beginning Monday, March 2. Be prepared to include with your application a one-page brief biography for posting. Your picture may be taken at the Member Services Office or you can include a personal photograph.

The first day that a candidate can file (turn in their application) will be Monday, March 16; and the last day will be the close of business on Tuesday, March 31, 2015. Per the requirements in the Voting and Election Policy, a Candidate Forum is scheduled for Wednesday, April 22 at 9 a.m., so that all residents will have an opportunity to hear from the candidates and submit questions. Pre-qualified candidates may begin campaigning as soon as their application has been approved by the Elections Committee and do not have to wait until the filing period has ended. The Elections Committee will meet with all pre-qualified candidates on April 1 to review the CA sponsored campaign opportunities and the Voting & Election Policy.

The Elections Committee will be mailing out one ballot to the owner of each lot. These ballots are scheduled to be mailed on Monday, May 4. The Elections Committee will provide further details to the community as the filing period approaches. The ballots must be returned by the owner either in person or by mail before the end of the balloting period, which is two hours before the beginning of the Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 28.

2015 ELECTION SCHEDULE

Monday, March 2:	Applications available
Monday, March 16:	Candidate filing period begins
Tuesday, March 31:	Filing period ends
Wednesday, April 1:	Elections Committee meets with pre-qualified candidates
Wednesday, April 22:	Candidate Forum, 9 a.m., Social Center Ballroom
Monday, May 4:	Ballots mailed to all homeowners
Thursday, May 28:	Members Annual Meeting at 3 p.m. to finalize all counting of ballots. Ballots will be accepted at the Monitor's Desk until 1 p.m.

If you will not be at your Sun City residence during these times, please provide the Community Association with a correct mailing address for your ballot. There will be more information in future issues of the *Sun Rays* and the weekly Communicator. Please contact the Elections Committee at caelections@sctexas.org with any questions you may have about this annual and very important process. Additionally, the Voting and Elections Policy is posted on the Sun City Texas website and provides all necessary information concerning the election process.



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Save the Date – EMC Town Hall: Infectious Diseases

Thursday, April 23, 10 a.m., SCB

Submitted by Dan Dodson,
Emergency Management Committee



Several recent outbreaks of infectious diseases have raised questions on how to best protect ourselves. A panel of health professionals will lead a discussion on reducing the odds of illness at home, in the community and abroad, and what to do if infection occurs. This important town hall will take place Thursday, April 23.

AEDs Added at Legacy Hills and Cowan Creek Pavilions

New automated external defibrillators (AED) have been placed at Legacy Hills and Cowan Creek Pavilions for use in medical emergencies. Sun City Texas now maintains 16 AEDs in various community areas. The use of these units can positively affect the outcome for individuals having a cardiac episode.

The operation of these units is designed to be simple to use for a layperson with no training; however, training is suggested. The Sun City Texas Emergency Management Committee sponsors monthly training on CPR, first aid and AED usage. There is a small fee for supplies and materials. See the EMC section on the Sun City website for class offerings.

March and April: Time to Apply Ant Bait

Submitted by Catrin Dubois, Landscape Superintendent

Howdy, neighbors! These are the months in which weather conditions are favorable to apply fire ant bait throughout our Common Areas, golf courses, and your residential lawns and flower beds. As a reminder, the CA has posted signs in high traffic locations throughout Sun City Texas. Your Neighborhood Rep most likely has contacted you already to see if you would like to participate in ant baiting.

HOW ANT BAIT WORKS

First, ant bait is not a poison. The active ingredient is an insect growth regulator which works over a period of two to six weeks. The bait is not harmful to your pet. The sandy, corn-sized bait is coated with coconut oil, which is like candy for ants. When temperatures stay in the 70s, ants are actively foraging for food and will travel quite a distance to pick up the bait and carry it back into the mound. It is shared with the soldiers and the queen and, depending on how the growth regulator/inhibitor is designed, it inhibits growth of the mouth so the worker ants can no longer feed the soldiers and the queen and, basically, they starve to death. Ants are quite smart and have shown resistance to baits after a period of time; this is why you need to make sure to switch brands of ant baits every time you apply

2015 Firewise Volunteer Kick-Off Meeting

Wednesday, March 11, 9 a.m. to noon

Berry Creek Trail, at Sun City Boulevard and Great Frontier Drive

In an effort to keep our native Common Areas Firewise, we are asking residents to assist once per week with small brush clearing jobs that do not require any power tools. Please consider signing up for small cedar removals, deadwood clearing and fun – all you need is a good pair of work shoes, pruning shears (or similar) and, of course, gloves. Whether you're looking for a couple of hours of exercise or just a little time outdoors, this may be your perfect opportunity.

This spring, we will be concentrating on the Sun City nature trail along Berry Creek. There is a large quantity of downed wood which can be chipped and used on the trail.

Volunteers will meet CA landscape staff on-site, then sign in, so as to keep track of volunteer hours for Sun City's Firewise certification. Following a brief safety meeting, we will begin removing unwanted vegetation from Common Areas. Staff will be on hand to assist with chipping of large items.

Weekly workdays will be scheduled on Wednesdays throughout the year. Once you sign up, you will receive email updates on a weekly basis.

There will be cookies for the early birds! A reschedule will be arranged in the event of inclement weather.

Yours in Landscaping,
Catrin

it—we schedule ant bait application twice a year.

TIPS FOR SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS

- Do not schedule any irrigation for 48 hours after application, and wait until all dew has dried from turf areas.
- Do not apply if there is a chance of rain in the 2-day forecast.
- Do not apply if temperatures are below 60 degrees.
- Use small amounts of bait and broadcast with a small hand spreader. If applying by hand be sure to wear plastic gloves and follow label directions.
- Before purchasing a product, check with your lawn care company to see if this insect control is included in your contract.
- If you live in a Landscaped Maintained Home, you do not need to do anything. Ant bait application is part of the scope of work in the landscape contract. TCB Landscaping will leave door tags at your residence so you know the work has been done.

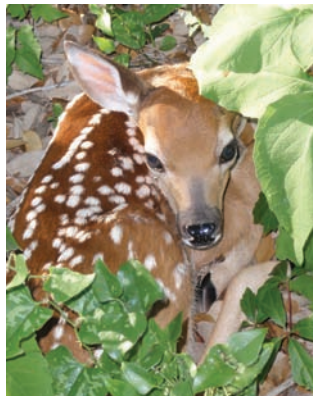
And, remember, if you see ant mounds during the year and you wonder if the product is working—ant bait is a means of control, not eradication.

For more information, visit fireant.tamu.edu.

Wildlife Committee Town Hall

Thursday, March 12, 9:30 a.m., SCB

Are you curious about the wildlife and habitat conditions in Sun City Texas? Would you like to know more about deer, feral hogs, vultures and other creatures living in our community? If so, come to the Sun City Texas Wildlife Management Committee's Town Hall on Thursday, March 12, at 9:30 a.m., in the Social Center Ballroom. We will review the deer management program (including capture results), vulture abatement, feral hog control and other wildlife issues. We will also cover some of the methods currently used to improve our wildlife habitat and reduce our area's wildfire and flooding potential. Warren Bluntzer, Sun City Texas wildlife biologist, and Paul Ohlenbusch, Sun City Texas vegetation management advisor, will present. Time will be set aside for attendee questions following the presentation.



Spring 2015 Committee Openings

Submitted by the Nominating Committee

Now is the time to apply for a CA Advisory Committee. As a member of one of the 13 CA Committees, you will directly contribute to Sun City governance. Applications are now available at the Social Center and Cowan Creek Monitors' Desks, Activities Center, Texas Drive Fitness Center and at Putters Café. Applications are due by Friday, March 13. Nominating Committee interviews will be held during the week of April 13. Please indicate your second and third committee choices on the application.

Listed below are the projected openings at press time:

- Chartered Clubs (Nonsports) (1)
- Communications (5)
- Covenants (2)
- Elections (2)
- Emergency Management (2)
- Golf (1)
- Landscaped Maintained Homes (3)
- Property and Grounds (3)
- Sports (1)
- Wildlife Management (2)

Please direct all questions to Pat Alexander, Nominating Committee Chair, pialex9@yahoo.com.

CPR/FIRST AID/AED CLASSES

CPR/First Aid/AED classes are taught monthly in Sun City. For information, contact Barbara Akers at bslrakers@aol.com.



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Bits of Info from Ginny's Desk

Submitted by Ginny Wagner, Community Standards Supervisor

If you are replacing a dead tree with a tree from Appendix E in the Design Guidelines, you won't need a permit as long as you plant the tree at least twenty feet from any other tree, ten feet from the property line, and within two feet of the removed tree. Also on the "No Paperwork" list is the removal of any tree not named in Appendix E's Native Tree list and any tree measuring less than 19" in circumference.

PAINT COLORS

Paint colors can be found on the new website by visiting www.sctexas.org; then do the following:

- Log in with your Member ID and password
- Click on Departments & Hours

COPs Blotter

Prepared by Chuck Puckhaber, COPs Trainer

10/07 – 8:12 p.m., Patrol #1 – Per a call from the Texas Drive CA Monitor, checked The Oaks' kitchen door. Found it open, but could not lock it. Notified Monitor of the problem.

10/09 – 2:30 p.m., Patrol #1 – Notified Monitor of a disabled golf cart off Sun City Boulevard near White Wing Hole #1.

10/10 – 7 p.m., Patrol #2 – Called Carlton Mathis, CA Water Manager, to report a sprinkler head "fountaining" on the Del Web Boulevard median at the intersection of Doublefire Trail.

10/10 – 6 p.m., Patrol #2 – Received a call from a resident concerned about an unknown car parked in his driveway. Checked on the car and found it locked with no one inside. Resident and his wife reiterated that they did not recognize the vehicle and that they had not authorized anyone to use their driveway. A neighbor also stated that he was unfamiliar with the vehicle. On the resident's behalf, we called the Georgetown Police non-emergency number and were assured an officer would be dispatched to look into the situation. The remainder of the evening was unremarkable, and the strange car

- Click on Community Standards
- Click on Paint Schema

You will need to know your home's model name in order to choose the correct series of paint colors. This information can be found under HOUSE MODELS. If you are simply retouching your home's current colors, you won't need to fill out a B-2 form for approval. For help in researching your paint colors when you don't have them with your sales documents, come by the Community Standards Office and we'll be happy to work with you.

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

For a period beginning one week prior to, and for one week after, you can display decorations appropriate to the holiday.

was gone by 8 p.m.

10/31 – 3 p.m., Patrol #1 – Assisted resident with directions.

11/08 – Time Unspecified, Patrol #2 – Received a call from a resident that a neighbor's "911 light" was blinking. Made contact with the resident in question and found that they were new to Sun City Texas and as such were unfamiliar with the "911" switch. Explained the light's functioning to them and was thanked.

11/16 – 5:45 p.m., Patrol #1 – Flagged down by two drivers who were concerned about the welfare of an individual who was driving erratically. Checked on driver when their vehicle had stopped – driver was fine, but had a problem with ice on the windshield.

11/22 – 9:10 p.m., Patrol #2 – Called the CA Monitor's Desk to report trash, old office chair and several potted dead plants left in front of the LHP dumpster. NOTE: This issue occurred at least twice during this quarter. This dumpster is ONLY to be used for LHP trash and not for household or yard trash. Also, NO trash is to be left on the ground, as the dumpster truck cannot take such trash.

March has two holidays: Texas Independence Day on March 2 and Saint Patrick's Day on March 17.

DISPLAY OF MODIFICATION PERMITS

Finally, modification permits need only be displayed while the project is ongoing and may be removed when the project is complete. The bottom portion of the permit is for office use only. A community standards inspector will not come by to sign your permit, so you can post the permit on the inside of a front window while the project is in progress.

*Ginny Wagner can be reached at
512-948-7462 or email
ginny.wagner@sctexas.org*

11/26 – 10:30 a.m., Patrol #2 – A resident had fallen in the street on Nolan Drive. Assessed the situation and felt all he needed was a ride home. Gave him a ride home and notified the man's neighbor of the situation.

12/20 – 7:25 a.m., Patrol #2 – Notified by a resident that Henry, a lost dog, had been spotted near her residence. Went to that location and found the dog in the area. Notified the owner and kept track of Henry until the owner arrived.

Golf Carts and Grandkids: Say NO!

Many grandchildren will be in our community for the spring break holiday, and there will be a temptation to allow them to drive a golf cart. However, it is against the law and extremely dangerous for anyone under the age of 16 and/or anyone without a driver's license to drive a golf cart. Please, DO NOT let grandkids get behind the wheel; Georgetown police officers may issue you a ticket.

Time to Spring Forward!

Daylight saving time begins Sunday, March 8

Be sure to set your clocks one hour forward as daylight saving time begins on Sunday, March 8. This is also a great time to change your smoke detector batteries or replace your smoke detectors altogether, especially if they are more than 8-10 years old.



March Schedule: Landscaped Maintained Homes

NEXT LMH MEETING

Wednesday, March 4, 10 a.m., AC MR 3/4

MARCH SCHEDULED LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE

Bi-Weekly Mowing • Monthly Irrigation Check • Shrub Pruning
Weeding of Bed Areas • Insect and Disease Monitoring
Bed Fertilization • Fire Ant Control

QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS

Email: **David Longacre** - david.longacre@sctexas.org

Email: **Aaron Johnson** - aaron.johnson@sctexas.org

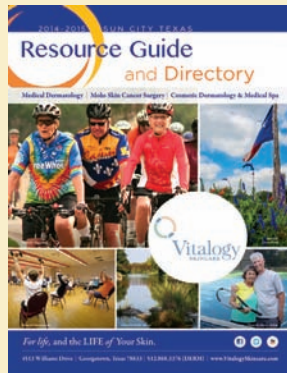
Update your info! Deadline is April 1

The Communications Department will be printing the next Sun City Texas Resident Directory in May, and we want to be sure that your information will be correct so that all your friends and neighbors can contact you. The Resident list used in the printed directory is pulled from the Online directory; therefore, it is very important to make sure your information is correct on the Sun City Texas website.

- Go to www.sctexas.org
- Log in with your member ID and password
- On the Resident Home page, select My Profile in the left navigation list under Resident Home.
- Click on Edit My Profile to correct your information

Your information will be displayed. **(Note: Each person in a household has his/her own separate profile.)** Review the information to see if it is correct; if not, please correct the information. If you need further assistance, go to the Member Services Office and someone can make the change or give you a form to fill out to get the change made for you.

If you plan to change your email provider in the next year, **do it now** so that your information will be correct in the new Directory!



Save the Date! Expansion Task Force Town Hall

Monday, April 20, 9 a.m., SCB

The Expansion Task Force will present a Town Hall on Monday, April 20 at 9 a.m. in the Social Center Ballroom. Mark your calendars now for this important event; more details will follow in the April *Sun Rays*.

2015 Water Matters Town Hall

Friday, April 10, 10 a.m., SCB, FREE!

Submitted by *Carlton M. Mathis, Sun City Texas Water Management*

While drought conditions have been somewhat alleviated by recent weather trends, water conservation in Central Texas continues to be a priority. Please join us Friday, April 10, from 10 a.m. to noon in the Social Center Ballroom, where we will address these concerns on a local level. Topics will include Sun City Texas' 2015 community goals and objectives, resident testimonials on current conservation technologies and an update from the City of Georgetown regarding their latest programs. We hope to see you there—and remember, there are a number of ways to save water and help the environment, but they all start with you!



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EMC Emergency Evacuation Centers – A Safe Place in Sun City

Submitted By Sandie Kienitz, Chair, EMC Resident Education Subcommittee



Did you know that Sun City Texas has an emergency plan in the event of a natural or man-made disaster?

The Sun City Texas Community Association Board established the Emergency Management Committee (EMC) in August 2012. The committee was formed to promote “the preservation of the life, safety, well-being and property of Sun City residents in the event of an emergency/disaster.”

The Emergency Evacuation Guidelines state that:

- If a large scale evacuation of Sun City residents is necessary, civil authorities will provide information regarding evacuation routes through the local media.
- If a small scale evacuation becomes necessary, the Sun City Crisis Management Team will provide information to residents through the: CA Communicator; Channel 79; the Sun City Amateur Radio Operators (SCARS); the Citizens on Patrol (COPS); or through your Neighborhood Emergency Coordinator or

Neighborhood Representative.

If you are told to evacuate to a Sun City evacuation center, the following Sun City facilities will be specifically designated for evacuation:

- The resident evacuation center located in the Social Center Ballroom
- The resident evacuation center located at Cowan Creek Amenity Center (will be opened if needed or if the Social Center is not available)
- The pet evacuation center located at The Oaks (it is recommended that pets and their owners locate there and not at the Social Center)
- The first aid station located at the Activities Center (provides limited first aid services and triage until first responders arrive)

The Cowan Creek Amenity Center, if activated for resident evacuation, will also provide a first aid station and a pet evacuation center.

It is very important that Sun City residents are prepared in advance for an emergency evacuation.

Information about how to “Become Emergency Ready” can be reviewed in the 2014-2015 Sun City Texas Resource

Guide and Directory on pages 67-69 as recommended by the Emergency Management Committee. It includes:

- Medical emergencies and weather or home-related emergencies
- Emergency medical information and emergency contact forms
- Listed supplies for first aid and resident emergency/evacuation kits (Grab n’ Go Bags) and pet evacuation kits

Over the past three years, the CA and EMC have provided an annual emergency evacuation “drill” to implement and practice a mock emergency evacuation. At the various drills, either specific centers or all centers have been activated for use. The next emergency evacuation exercise drill will be held on Saturday, March 14.

All of the evacuation centers are aided by volunteers at specific centers, as well as volunteer “evacuees.” The volunteers are notified of the “disaster” through a phone/text “call tree” and have attended a training session prior to the event.

If you would like to volunteer for the emergency evacuation centers, please contact the EMC. Volunteers are always welcome!



PHOTO BY PHOTO PHIL

Neighborhood 13 held its Mardi Gras parade on January 17. For more photos, see the Around Sun City section.

Purchase your tickets for CA Sponsored Events at www.sctexas.org or at the Member Services Office.
Tickets for activities listed for the first time will be available Monday, March 2, at 8 a.m.

Activities with Jenny

Our Lifestyle and Activities Department often receives “frequently asked questions.” Here are some of those FAQs with answers:



- **May I bring beverages and snacks to a CA Sponsored dance or event?** Yes, you may bring drinks and snacks for yourself, and if you would like, enough to share with your table. While all of our CA Dances have tables, the only CA Events with tables will be those that are marked ‘cabaret style.’ If the event is marked ‘theater style’ there will be no tables, so you might have to store your bottle under your chair.
- **How do I know which events or dances are CA Sponsored?** All CA Sponsored Events have the Sun City Logo next to them. (These are included in the Events section, pages 15-18.) CA Sponsored Dances are listed separately on page 19. CA Outings are listed in their own section on pages 20-28, and CA Sponsored Travel is listed on pages 84-85.
- **How many tickets may I purchase to a CA Sponsored Event or Dance?** Up to 10 tickets per household.
- **How many tickets may I purchase to a CA Outing?** Up to 4 tickets per household.
- **Does a person have to live in Sun City to be my guest?** No, your guests do not have to live in Sun City. You are welcome to purchase tickets for your friends outside of Sun City.
- **May I purchase tickets for children?** In general, the answer is no. Occasionally, a show or program or bus outing may be child-friendly; in such cases, this will be stated in the Sun Rays articles and/or through eblasts. Dances are not suitable for children.
- **May I tip the volunteer trip leaders and hospitality volunteers?** All of our volunteers are amazing! They are volunteering to serve you. Your thanks and praise is the tip that keeps them going!

Editor’s note: When submitting articles for the Events section, please limit your article to 150 words or less. The Sun Rays reserves the right to edit articles due to space limitations.

VAC “Meet the Artist” Art Show

Sunday, March 1, 2 p.m., AC, FREE



The Visual Arts Club presents its annual “Meet the Artist” Art Show and Reception Sunday, March 1 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Activities Center. This event showcases original, affordable artwork in a variety of mediums.

You will find oils, watercolors, acrylics, Chinese brush, pastels and more! Come and enjoy light refreshments and demonstrations while you meet the artists and view the show, which runs through Friday, April 17.

○ Matt Barber -

Easy Listening Performance

Wednesday, March 11, 7 - 8 p.m., SCB, \$10 pp
 Reserved Seating by Tables



Born in Peoria, Illinois, Matt took a deep interest in singing at the age of 10, listening to his father Mark, a radio announcer on Oldies 101.3 KUUL-FM in Davenport, Iowa. Matt Barber sings easy listening songs from the 1940s -1990s. He travels around the world performing songs reminiscent of Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey.

○ Astronomy Lecture

Star Clusters presented by Ken Van Lew
 Monday, March 16, 9 a.m., SCB, \$5 pp
 Open Seating Theater Style



Ken Van Lew will give a lecture on how stars tend to be gregarious. Although there are a few free-floating stars that don’t even belong to a galaxy, most stars do orbit a galaxy center. Globular clusters are composed of older yellow stars that orbit above and below the halo of the Milky Way. Galactic clusters are stars that group together and orbit in the plane of the Milky Way disk.

○ Yale’s Society of Orpheus and Bacchus A Cappella Music Performance

Wednesday, March 18, 7 - 8:15 p.m., SCB, \$10 pp
 Open Seating, Theater Style



This Ivy League group harmonizes jazz, rock, and a cappella barbershop and they will perform two thirty-minute sets with a 15 minute intermission in between. They have serenaded the sunset on the shores of Aruba and the president’s chief of staff at the White House. Their tight-knit harmonies and unique sense of humor, combined with 76 years of experience, make a delightful performance for all to enjoy.

○ Indicates CA sponsored event

EVENTS

Purchase your tickets for CA Sponsored Events at www.sctexas.org or at the Member Services Office.
Tickets for activities listed for the first time will be available **Monday, March 2, at 8 a.m.**

Spring Vendor Fair

Friday, March 20, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., SCB & SCPL



The event that brings local area businesses to your backyard! Enjoy meeting the newest business owners in Georgetown and the surrounding area and make contact with those who have served Sun City for years! Come shop and talk, or just stop by!

Spring Plant Sale

Saturday, March 21, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sun City Gardens, 141 Sun City Blvd.



The Horticulture Club will hold their Spring Plant Sale on Saturday, March 21 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Sun City Gardens, 141 Sun City Blvd. Shrubs and bedding plants, perennials and annuals, vegetables and herbs will be for sale. There will be drought-tolerant and deer-resistant varieties available, with a focus on Texas native and adapted plants. Come early for the best selection. Back To Nature Cotton Burr Compost, hardwood mulch, and the club's own brewed compost tea will also be for sale.

Swamp Pop Night in the Ballroom - NEW!

Presented by the Sun City Cajun Club
Sunday, March 29, 6:30 p.m., SCB, \$12 pp



The Sun City "Kiss Me I'm Cajun" club is sponsoring the Fourth Annual Swamp Pop Night - a fun night of listening and dancing in the ballroom. Swamp Pop music was created in the late 1950s and '60s in the Acadiana region of south Louisiana and an adjoining section of southeast Texas. This event is open to all Sun City residents. Tickets are available from the Member Services Office or the online ticketing system at www.sctexas.org. For additional information, visit www.sccajunclub.com or contact club organizer, Ron Scarborough at 512-943-9450 or email sccajunclub@aol.com.

Movie: *Unbroken*

Wednesday, April 1, 6 p.m., SCB, \$5 pp
Rated PG-13; 137 Minutes, Biography, Drama, Sport
Reserved Seating by Tables



After a near-fatal plane crash in WWII, Olympian Louis Zamperini spends a harrowing 47 days in a raft with two fellow crewmen before he's caught by the Japanese navy and sent to a prisoner-of-war camp. Soda and snacks will be provided; feel free to bring your own.

Riders on the Orphan Train - Musical Ballads

Wednesday, April 8, 7 p.m., SCB, \$8 pp
Reserved Seating by Tables



The one-and-a-half-hour multi-media presentation, *Riders on the Orphan Train*, tells the story of the 250,000 orphans and unwanted children who were put on trains in New York between 1854 and 1929 and sent all over the United States to be given away. The presentation is comprised of original music, an audio-visual presentation of archival photographs and interviews with two surviving orphan train riders (a man who came to Berryville, Arkansas and a woman who came to Greenville, Texas). The presentation is followed by a dramatic recitation from the new novel *Riders on the Orphan Train* by Alison Moore.

After the presentation, there will be an informal discussion led by Alison Moore and Phil Lancaster about the origin and demise of the largest child migration in history and the part it played in the formation of the American Dream.

Garage Sale

Saturday, April 11, 8 a.m. - 12 noon, SCPL
\$45 Booth Space
Ticket purchase deadline: Thursday, April 2



Is it time to get rid of things you no longer need or use? Do you have things cluttering your home and garage?

Twice a year, Sun City Texas hosts a public garage sale. The Garage Sale is a great event for shopping, buying and selling household items. All Garage Sale spaces are the size of a parking space. Select and purchase your space online or at the Member Services Office.

- All spaces are \$45 and include a table.
- Set-up time for booths is Friday, April 10, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- No setup or vehicle traffic in booth area on Saturday morning.
- Security officers will be onsite to patrol the sale area from 3 p.m. Friday to 8 a.m. Saturday; however, the safety and security of your sale items cannot be guaranteed.
- It is advisable to cover all items due to weather hazard.
- For donation pick up, call Dick Lesh, 512-864-2499.

NO EARLY SALES! Garage Sale set-up time is on Friday, April 10 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Garage Sale is open for shoppers on Saturday, April 11 from 8 a.m. to noon. We will not allow any set up on Saturday morning and no items will be sold prior to 8 a.m. Saturday, April 11. These rules were designed with safety in mind for all participants and the rules will be enforced.

 Indicates CA sponsored event

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Tickets for activities listed for the first time will be available Monday, March 2, at 8 a.m.

Sun City Singers Concert “With a Voice of Singing” - NEW!

Wednesday & Thursday, April 15-16, 7 p.m., SCB, \$8 pp



The Sun City Singers proudly present their spring concert titled “With a Voice of Singing.” This performance will include songs for everyone ranging from vintage to new, inspiring to invigorating, nostalgic to

humorous. Come and join your voice with ours in a rousing audience participation sing-along and celebrate the beauty of spring. Be sure to get your tickets early as they sell quickly.

The concert will be performed on April 15 and 16 at 7 p.m. in the Social Center Ballroom. Ticket sales begin on Monday, March 2. Reserved seat tickets are \$8 per person and can be purchased at the Member Services Office or online on the Sun City Texas website.

The Mousetrap - NEW!

Tuesday, April 21 through Saturday, April 25, 7 p.m., SCB

Tuesday, Friday and Saturday Cabaret Seating, \$14 pp

Wednesday and Thursday Theatre Seating, \$12 pp



After more than 62 years on stage in the West End of London, Agatha Christie’s *The Mousetrap* is considered to be the longest-running play in history.

The story takes place west of London shortly after the end of WWII, and introduces us to Mollie and Giles Ralston, who are hosting their first guests in the first adventure of their year-old marriage: running their home as a guest-house. It is snowing; the guests arrive in good enough order, but must plow their way to the entry door; there may not be enough coal to keep the house warm; and at least one guest is unexpected. How could anything possibly go wrong? Of course, a death occurs and a Detective Sergeant must untangle the lies, the diversions, the dissembling, and the deception from the actual truth. Directed by Geoff Martin.

Tickets are available online, at the Member Services Office and at the door when available.

○ Nostalgia Impersonations - Comedy Show

Wednesday, April 29, 7 p.m., SCB, \$10 pp

Reserved Seating by Tables



Randy Riggles is back and this time he is doing hilarious impersonations with clean humor and observations on everyday life, and material that has been performed at such places as the Flamingo and MGM Grand Hotels in Las Vegas to the world famous IMPROV comedy

clubs throughout the U.S. He has opened for Jerry Seinfeld, Dennis Miller, Kenny Chesney, Ellen DeGeneres, and Jerry Lewis.

“Beauty by the Yard” - NEW!

The Seventh Annual Sun City Garden Tour

Saturday, May 2, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Sunday, May 3, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

\$12 pp (Ticket is good for both days)



Presented by the Sun City Garden Club, the 2015 Garden Tour includes seven designated Sun City yards and the Sun City Horticulture Gardens in full spring bloom. Net proceeds are donated to area agencies that serve our community.

You can take the tour on either Saturday or Sunday, but you must check in at The Oaks at Legacy Hills Golf Course for maps, directions and a wristband, which will provide admission to each of the yards. Allow at least two hours to take the tour. At The Oaks, there will be a complimentary lemonade and coffee shop; a silent auction featuring potted plants will be ongoing. Advance tickets at \$12 each may be purchased online and at the Member Service Office beginning March 2. On the days of the tour, tickets will be \$15 at The Oaks. Tickets are non-refundable.

○ Donald Braswell II - World Performer - NEW!

Wednesday, May 6, 7 - 8:30 p.m., SCB, \$12 pp

Open Seating Theater Style



Returning to Sun City! If you heard him before, you will want to hear him again! Donald Braswell II performs an all-in-one act that guides you through his inspirational life story with classical songs/opera/Broadway and storytelling. He tells of his youth and meeting an interesting but questionable NY character that reminded him of Frank Sinatra. He then finishes the story with his style of *Fly Me to The Moon*. His rendition of *Blue Suede Shoes* will have you dancing in your seat. The most moving part of his show is when Braswell transitions into *You Raise Me Up* or *Unchained Melody* – this is the moment when you will see why he was a Top 5 Finalist on *America’s Got Talent*.

○ Indicates CA sponsored event

EVENTS

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Health Fair - NEW!

Friday, May 8, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., SCB, FREE!



Twice a year our health fair brings health care professionals and health-related businesses to your door step. Come see who will be here for the Spring Health Fair! A lecture series is offered in the Texas Room, with industry health care experts. The following companies will be presenting: Orthopaedic Associates of Central Texas, Be Well MD, Austin CyberKnife, and Pain Specialists of Austin. Look in your April and May *Sun Rays* for listing of times and topics.

Movie: *The Hundred Foot Journey* - NEW!

Rated PG, 122 minutes, Comedy Drama
 Wednesday, May 13, 6 p.m., SCB, \$5 pp
 Reserved Seating by Tables



The Kadam family leaves India for France where they open an Indian restaurant directly across the road from Madame Mallory's Michelin-starred eatery. Madame Mallory's icy protests escalate to all-out-war between the two establishments. Starring Helen Mirren and produced by Steven Spielberg, Oprah Winfrey and Juliet Blake. Complimentary snacks and soda provided. You may also bring your own food and beverages.

Movie: *The Judge* - NEW!

Rated R, 141 Minutes, Drama
 Wednesday, May 27, 6 p.m., SCB, \$5 pp
 Reserved Seating by Tables



Big city lawyer Hank Palmer returns to his childhood home where his father, the town's judge, is suspected of murder. Hank sets out to discover the truth and, along the way, reconnects with his estranged family. Starring Robert Downey Jr. and Robert Duval. Complimentary snacks and soda provided. You may also bring your own food and beverages.

Memorial Day Ceremony - Save the date! - NEW!

Monday, May 25, 9:30 a.m., VMP



The annual Memorial Day Ceremony, honoring the men and women of our armed forces who have given their lives in service to our country, will be held at the Veterans Memorial Plaza on Monday, May 25. The ceremony will begin at 9:30 a.m. There will be a special guest speaker and music will be provided. Look for more details in the April *Sun Rays*. Everyone is invited, so put the date and time on your calendar today!

Sun City Acronymns

AC	Activities Center	CCAM	Cowan Creek Amphitheater	CCW	Cowan Creek Walburg Room	SCPL	Social Center Parking Lot
ACA	AC Atrium	CCAN	Cowan Creek Andice Room	CTS	Tennis Courts	SCB	SC Ballroom
ACCR	AC Conference Room	CCAC	Cowan Creek Amenity Center	FC	Fitness Center	TR	Texas Room
AM	American Room	CCF	Cowan Creek Florence Room	FR	French Room	VMP	Veterans Memorial Plaza
GR 1,2,3	AC Game Rooms	CCG	Cowan Creek Georgetown Rm	HC	Horseshoe Courts	VAS	Visual Arts Studio
MR 1,2,3,4	AC Meeting Room	CCJ	Cowan Creek Jarrell Room	L	Social Center Library	WW	White Wing Golf Course
BC	Bocce Courts	CCPL	Cowan Creek Parking Lot	LH	Legacy Hills Golf	WS	Wood Shop
BOD	Board of Directors	CCPP	Cowan Creek Park Pavilion	LHPP	Legacy Hills Pavilion	WSCR	WS Conference Room
CC	Cowan Creek Golf	CCS	Cowan Creek Salado Room	SC	Social Center		

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The Eggmen – '60s Cover Band

Friday, March 6, 7 – 10 p.m. SCB, \$10 pp
 Reserved Seating by Tables



I'm a Believer that you will enjoy John, Tommo, Nigel, Basil, and Davy, collectively known as The Eggmen. The Eggmen not only sound like the Beatles, they dress, speak and perform like the Fab Four as well. The

Eggmen play authentic instruments, including amps by Vox; guitars by Rickenbacker / Gretsch Epiphone / Hofner etc. and drums by Ludwig (vintage mid-sixties). Their Liverpudlian accents and vocal abilities are without equal. The Eggmen have won Best Cover Band ten times from the Austin Chronicle Music Awards. Come out and dance the night away.

Somewhere in Texas

Friday, March 27, 7 – 10 p.m., SCB, \$10 pp
 Reserved Seating by Tables



Yee-haw!! Somewhere in Texas is bringing hits to our ballroom ranging from Bob Wills through today's country favorites. They bring the best in vocals and instrumentation and a beat that's gonna lead you straight to the

dance floor. You are gonna wanna *"Stay a little longer; dance all night, dance a little longer."*

Little Beverly and the Shades – Oldies

Friday, April 3, 7 - 10 p.m., SCB, \$10 pp
 Reserved Seating by Tables



This local band loves to play '50s and '60s rock-and-roll dance music. They came to Sun City in 2014, and the crowd asked for them to come back. Come listen and dance as this six-piece band plays some of your favorite tunes.

People's Choice – Country Western

Friday, April 17, 7 - 10 p.m., SCB, \$10 pp
 Reserved Seating by Tables



People's Choice is back with their high energy dance music. They have been playing to audiences around Texas for decades and they are one of Sun City's most requested bands. People's Choice knows what type of music we like and how to mix up the night!

Shakedown – Cover Band - NEW!

Friday, May 1, 7 – 10 p.m., SCB, \$12 pp
 Reserved Seating by Tables



This dynamic band of talented musicians with decades of performing experience includes female and male lead vocalists who have a wide range repertoire from '80s songs, groovy '70s disco/soul tunes that make you want to get your boogie on, timeless '60s classics that bring the house down, as well as country favorites. They know how to throw a great dance party for all to enjoy.

Weldon Henson – Country Western Band - NEW!

Friday, May 22, 7 – 10 p.m., SCB, \$10 pp
 Reserved Seating by Table



Weldon Henson *is* Country Music. He grew up in Humble, Texas and resides in Austin. His shows are all about the dancers and demanding energy from them to keep his show going while he plays swing, 2-step, waltzes, authentic polka and brand new honky-tonk music. Sun City never disappoints Weldon's band and Weldon Henson never disappoints Sun City.

RESERVED SEATING BY TABLES

Selection by table number only

OPEN SEATING

General admission; no advance table or seat selection

DANCE ETIQUETTE

At CA dances hospitality volunteers place water pitchers and ice buckets on each table, and you may pick up complimentary cups and napkins from the hospitality table located in the back of the ballroom. Canned sodas are available for \$1 purchase. Hospitality volunteers work the dance to refill your water pitchers and ice buckets throughout the night; simply take the empty bucket or pitcher to the table, and they will provide this service for you. At the end of the evening please return all water pitchers and ice buckets to the hospitality table; recycle your bottles/cans; and throw away all of your trash including the plastic tablecloth.

OUTINGS

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Key to Outings

SCPL - Social Center Parking Lot
CCPL - Cowan Creek Parking Lot

- 1** Level 1 - Light Activity
- 2** Level 2 - Moderate Activity
- 3** Level 3 - Active Activity

 Meal provided

 Requires climbing in and out of a boat

 Bus trip over approx. 3 hours

 Overnight stay

 Walking - Expect a walking tour or a large venue

 Walking and steps

 Bus is wheelchair accessible

PERK Cards!

Every time you travel on an outing planned by the Lifestyle Department, you will receive a card to fill out and turn in at the Monitor's desk. We will draw a card monthly and the lucky winner will receive a 50% discount on a future CA bus outing of your choice! (Note: Excludes overnight outings). We will notify the winner via phone and email.




Our Perk Card winner was L. Dean Hempelmann. Congratulations, Dean!! Thank you for being a frequent traveler on our bus outings.

If you have any questions about our outings, please contact Lifestyle & Activities, 512-948-7392.

Texas History - San Antonio

Mission Concepcion, Briscoe Western Musuem, The Alamo
Lunch on Your Own
Thursday, March 5, \$53 pp
Depart SCPL 7:30 a.m.; Return 6:30 p.m.



2  Texas victories in Gonzales, Goliad, and San Antonio during the fall and winter of 1835 make up the first part of the Texas Revolution; the second phase centers on the Mexican invasion of Texas. Taking the Presidio

La Bahia and then San Antonio de Bexar brought the wrath of General Santa Anna to bear upon the Texans, leading to the ultimate price for freedom at the Battle of the Alamo.

Explore these historical sites: Mission Concepcion – site of the first major engagement of the revolution; The Briscoe Western Museum – home to an amazing diorama depicting the battle at the Alamo, plus a collection of Western art and artifacts; and The Alamo – the shrine to Texas Independence.

We will make a morning coffee stop at Buc-ee's. At 12:30 p.m. enjoy 'lunch on your own' at The River Center Mall.

After lunch we will see the IMAX movie, *The Price of Freedom - Battle of the Alamo*. A short walk across the street brings us to our self-guided audio tour of The Alamo and a Q & A session with an Alamo historian.

Ticket cost includes transportation, entrance fees, movie, and audio tour.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Jerilee Prather

ASO - Russian Composers - Long Center - Austin

Dinner - P. F. Chang's

Friday, March 6, \$108 pp

Depart SCPL 4 p.m.; Return 10:30 p.m.



Join us for a wonderful evening as the Austin Symphony Orchestra features some of the greatest Russian composers ever to put notes to paper. Guest performer will be the lovely and extremely talented pianist Olga Kern. The Washington Post commented, "Her electricity

at the keyboard is palpable, and though she generates from the music itself, as it flows through her fingers it takes on fresh voltage that is unmistakably hers."

Program includes: Shostakovich's *Festive Overture*; *Baba-Yaga* by Anatoly Liadov; Rachmaninoff's *Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini*; *Overture on Hebrew Themes* by Prokofiev, and Tchaikovsky's *Francesca da Rimini*.

Our evening begins at P. F. Chang's where we will be treated to Chicken Lettuce Wraps, Crab Wontons, Spicy Chicken, Sesame Chicken, Mongolian Beef, Crispy Honey Shrimp, Egg Drop Soup and assorted desserts.

We will arrive at the Long Center in time for Bob Buckalew's pre-concert talk at 7:10 p.m.

Ticket cost includes transportation, dinner, pre-concert talk, and performance.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Valerie Weis



John Mellencamp - Bass Concert Hall - Austin

Sunday, March 8, \$110 pp

Dinner on Your Own

Depart SCPL 4:30 p.m.; Return 10:30 p.m.



2   According to Texas Performing Arts, "Grammy-winning musician John Mellencamp has touched the heart and souls of music listeners and influenced American

culture with enduring song. He is also one of the most successful live concert performers in the world.

"A man with a conscience, he used his visibility and influence to advocate an issue that hit close to home and became one of the founding members of Farm Aid, an organization that began

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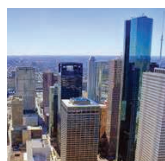
in 1985 to raise awareness about the loss of family farms. The Farm Aid concerts have raised over \$45 million to promote a resilient family farm system of agriculture.”

Prior to the performance, we will stop at The Domain in Austin for dinner on your own. Choose from a myriad selection of restaurants.

Ticket cost includes transportation, orchestra seat tickets, and link to a digital download of Mellencamp’s new album, *Plain Spoken*.
Volunteer Trip Leader: Flo Zydowicz

Houston – Ridiculous to Sublime! – Two Night Overnight

Thursday, March 26 – Saturday, March 28
\$336 pp double occupancy; \$426 pp single occupancy
Depart SCPL Thursday, 9 a.m.; Return Saturday, 4 p.m.
Ticket Purchase Deadline: Friday, February 27
(limited to 40 passengers)



3 Not an ordinary tour, come see “Hidden Houston” as well as some of the great attractions that made this city famous.

Thursday: Lunch stop at Chappell Hill BBQ (included) in Brenham for your choice of meat and sides. Then we visit Bayou Bend, the enchanting home and gardens of Ima Hogg. Then it is the opposite extreme as we see the outside of a house totally covered in beer cans! Finally we will go to a huge Asian market where you can experience a grocery that sells things you may have never seen before. Dried squid, anyone? Our hotel for two nights is the Memorial City Westin Hotel. Connected to a large shopping center via a sky walk, you will have your choice of restaurants for dinner on your own – everything from fast food to upscale dining.

Friday: After breakfast at the hotel (included), we head to the National Museum of Funeral History, which contains a fascinating collection of funeral objects, including old hearses. At our next stop, half of our group will go to lunch at Treebeards Restaurant, located within a church. Meanwhile, the other half will enjoy a docent-led trip to underground Houston, a tunnel system running for miles under the city and housing businesses and restaurants. An elevator ride to the top of the tallest building in the city will provide a panoramic view of Houston. We will switch venues so that both groups get to eat and tour the underground. Afterwards, we will return to the hotel, where you may choose to go to Town and Country mall or to a restaurant near the hotel for dinner on your own.

Saturday: After hotel breakfast (included) we will go to the Houston Museum of Natural Science. It will be a glorious finale to our trip, because following this we will head home to Sun City! Ticket cost includes transportation, hotel, tour admissions, 2 breakfasts, and 1 lunch.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Bobbi Heuss

Hangar Hotel/Garrison Distillery – Fredericksburg

Lunch on Your Own
Wednesday, April 1, \$37 pp
Depart SCPL 7:45 a.m.; Return 6 p.m.



1 What could be nicer on a spring day than a drive through bluebonnet country? First we will visit the Hangar Hotel in Fredericksburg, a one-of-a-kind hotel that looks like an airplane hangar from WWII on the city airport grounds.

Once inside, take a step back in time to the 1940s as we tour the opulent rooms, the Observation Deck where we can watch “fly-ins,” and the old-time Airport Diner.

Our next stop will be the Fischer and Wieser Culinary Store with its many fine sauces and jellies. Lunch will be on your own along downtown Main Street. A map and tips on places to eat will be provided.

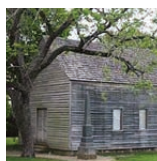
After lunch, we will head to Hye, Texas for our “Sit and Sip” guided tour of the Garrison Brothers Distillery. Garrison’s Cowboy Bourbon was named micro whiskey of the year in 2013. We will tour the stillhouse, smell the corn and observe the barrel barn.

Ticket cost includes transportation and tours.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Ellen Mire

Texas History – Washington-on-the-Brazos

Lunch – Martha’s Bloomers
Thursday, April 2, \$56 pp
Depart SCPL 7:15 a.m.; Return 6:30 p.m.
Ticket Purchase Deadline: Wednesday, March 25



2 As the forces of General Santa Anna laid siege to the Alamo, a courageous group of Texas men gathered in a small rough-hewn building on the banks of the Brazos River to write a new constitution and declare

Texas independence from Mexico. Hear the story of “Where Texas Became Texas” at Washington-on-the-Brazos, a story of quill pens and Bowie knives.

Our story begins at Fanthorp Inn State Historic Site, a wonderfully preserved example of a 19th century country inn and stagecoach stop. Yes, Sam Houston did sleep here, as well as Robert E. Lee and Ulysses S. Grant.

Lunch is next at Martha’s Bloomers – an amazing combination of home and garden décor, gourmet food items and beautiful tea room. Choose one of the following plated lunches when you purchase your ticket: Chicken salad croissant sandwich with tomato bisque soup and peach cobbler OR Honey ham croissant sandwich with garden potato soup and cherry cobbler. Coffee or tea and a little browsing are included with your lunch.

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We finish our story at Independence Hall, where 59 Texas delegates stood their ground and pushed through fear and uncertainty to create an independent Texas Republic. Our visit includes a 35-minute program followed by a tour the Star of the Republic Museum, an award-winning museum featuring the history of ordinary Texans and extraordinary events.

Ticket cost includes transportation, tours, and lunch.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Jerilee Prather

The Last Five Years - Penfold Theater - Austin

Thursday, April 9, \$40 pp

Depart SCPL 6:15 p.m.; Return 10:30 p.m.



1 *The Last Five Years* is a play that received critics' acclaim as "flawless," "the sort of production that audiences are lucky to see – unique, intimate, beautiful, painful, and wonderful," "a piece with feeling, sophistication,

and great entertainment value," and one in which "every disappointment registers in vivid, personal detail."

This is the musical story of the five-year relationship between Jamie, a rising novelist, and Cathy, a struggling actress, who get married and discover that their passions and priorities often collide. In an interesting form of presentation, Cathy tells her story starting at the end and working toward the beginning, and Jamie tells his story from the beginning working toward the end. The only time the two players directly interact is during their wedding song when their timelines intersect. The small venue of the Penfold allows us to respond to the characters as if we know them personally.

Ticket cost includes transportation and play. Only 25 tickets will be sold for this special evening.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Bobbi Heuss

ASO - Violin and Cello - Long Center - Austin


Dinner - Carmelo's

Friday, April 10, \$113 pp

Depart SCPL 4 p.m.; Return 10:30 p.m.

Ticket Purchase Deadline: Thursday, April 2



1  The Austin Symphony Orchestra once again presents an outstanding program, this time featuring Bolivian-born violinist Jaime Laredo and American-born cellist Sharon Robinson. For 35 years, the storybook

romance of this impressive duo has been expressed in every facet of their lives. Joyous and sophisticated music making, both separately and together, has earned them many devoted fans the world over. Combining international careers and a multifaceted

home life both in Vermont and Ohio, theirs is a bond of both close personal affection and strong dedication to music.

The program will include Antonin Dvorak's *Czech Suite in D Major*; Andre Previn's *Concerto for Violin and Cello*, and *Enigma Variations* by Sir Edward Elgar.

The evening begins with dinner at Carmelo's, a favorite of Sun City symphony attendees. Carmelo's combination of lasagna, tortellini with cream sauce, and rigatoni with meatballs, followed by a luscious dessert, is sure to please. Soft drink, tax and tip are included.

We will arrive at the Long Center in time for the always enjoyable and informative pre-concert talk by Bob Buckalew.

Ticket cost includes transportation, dinner, pre-concert talk, and symphony program.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Valerie Weis


Crimes of the Heart - Fredericksburg Theater

Lunch on Your Own

Sunday, April 12, \$50 pp

Depart SCPL 9:30 a.m.; Return 7 p.m.



1  Known for "Off Broadway Experience in the Charm of the Hill Country," Fredericksburg Theater Company presents *Crimes of the Heart*, a story about the ties that bind and the ties that lead to crimes of passion.

The story begins in a small Mississippi town where the three Magrath sisters have gathered to await news of their dying grandfather. Lenny, the oldest, is unmarried and has no prospects on the horizon. Meg, the middle sister, is back after a failed singing career, and Babe, the youngest, is out on bail after shooting her husband. Their troubles, grave and yet somehow hilarious, are highlighted by their priggish cousin Chick and by the young lawyer who is trying to keep Babe out of jail while helplessly falling in love with her. Winner of the 1981 Pulitzer Prize, the big-hearted, zany, imaginative production will linger in your mind long after the curtain comes down.

Before the matinee, there will be time for lunch on your own and shopping in downtown Fredericksburg. Following the show we will make a stop at Wild Seed Farms for drinks and treats.

Ticket cost includes transportation and matinee.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Mary Hoverson

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Texas Independence Trail - San Felipe to San Jacinto

The Hampton Inn - Rosenberg
 Wednesday, April 15 - Friday, April 17
 \$329 pp double occupancy;
 \$428 pp single occupancy
 Depart Cowan Creek Parking Lot Wednesday 7 a.m.
 Return Friday 6:30 p.m.
 Ticket Purchase Deadline: Tuesday, March 24



 Take a journey along The Independence Trail from San Felipe to San Jacinto. Visit the sites and hear the stories of the men and women who pioneered a new republic, forged a legendary spirit and created the Lone Star State of Texas.

Wednesday - Our story begins in Goliad at Presidio La Bahia, the world's finest example of a Spanish frontier fort and the most fought-over fort in Texas history. Next we visit the Fannin Monument, hear the story of the Angel of Goliad and explore the 1749 Mission de Espirito Santo.

At Fannin Creek Battle Grounds, site of the Battle of Coleto Creek, we will have a Which Wich box lunch (included). Choose from the following: Ham with Swiss OR Roast Beef with Cheddar OR Turkey with Pepper Jack. All sandwiches are on wheat bread with lettuce and tomato; chips, cookie and bottled water included.

After lunch we will drive through old town Victoria, hear a story of French settlement and stop for ice cream (included). The Hampton Inn in Rosenberg hosts our two-night stay and includes hot breakfasts each morning. Dinner is on your own at the Brazos Town Center with a nice array of restaurants and shops.

Thursday - Today's story begins in Richmond at The George Ranch Historical Park, a 23,000-acre working ranch settled in 1824 as part of Stephen F. Austin's original colony. Visit three homesteads, hear tales of early Texas and enjoy a chuckwagon BBQ lunch (included). Next is the Fort Bend Museum, including a tour of the cottage of Jane Long, considered the Mother of Texas. Before dinner you may rest at the hotel or take a short ride to the Baps Shri Swaminarayan Hindu Mandir, a masterpiece of intricate design and the first traditional Hindu temple of its kind in North America. Sugarland Towne Square is our destination for dinner on your own and offers a wide array of international dining choices and specialty shopping.



Friday - The final story takes place at The San Jacinto Monument, Museum and Battleground in Houston. Take a ride to the top of the monument for a bird's eye view of the historic battleground, explore the exhibits, and see the movie *Texas Forever! The Battle of San Jacinto*. Lunch is on your own in Katy. Choices: Panera Bread, Applebee's or Thai Cottage. After lunch, we will visit San Felipe de Austin, the social, economic and political center for the

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original “Old Three Hundred.” See where it all began and walk the path that led to Texas Independence.

Ticket cost includes transportation, 2 hotel nights with breakfasts, 1 box lunch, 1 BBQ lunch, 1 ice cream, and all admission fees.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Jerilee Prather

Cotton Gin Festival - Burton - NEW!

Lunch on Your Own

Saturday, April 18, \$25 pp

Depart SCPL 10:30 a.m.; Return 5:30 p.m.



2 Celebrate the legacy of the oldest operating cotton gin in America! The annual Burton Cotton Gin Festival includes folk-life demonstrations, a tractor pull, pie eating

contest, cotton seed pulling, arts and craft booths, and food vendors.

The festival's centerpiece is the 1914 Burton Farmers Gin. When a group of farmers built the first co-op gin in Burton in 1913, it is doubtful that they could have foreseen that 100 years later it would be touted as the oldest operational cotton gin in the country. The last cotton was ginned commercially in 1974, but in 1987 “Operation Restoration” returned the business complex back to its original glory. A major attraction is the Bessemer Type IV, twin cylinder, diesel oil engine “Lady B,” brought in to replace a steam engine in 1925. During the festival the engine is fired up, and cotton bales are ginned like in the old days. The Museum is also a draw with interesting exhibits about when cotton was king in Texas.

Ticket cost includes transportation only.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Valerie Weis

Wildflower Center and Barton Creek Mall - Austin

Lunch on Your Own

Wednesday, April 22, \$32 pp

Depart SCPL 8:45 a.m.; Return 4 p.m.



2 At the mention of the name “Lady Bird,” bluebonnets and wildflowers immediately come to mind. Learn about the founding of the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, the

importance of native plants, and the water conservation program on our docent-guided tour. After the hour-long tour, you will have time to wander on your own and shop for gifts, books and much more. As a bonus, the bluebonnets should be in full bloom.

After our history lesson of the Lady Bird Center, we travel to Barton Creek Mall where you are free to have lunch on your own or shop in one of their 180 stores. Anchor stores such as

Nordstrom, Dillard's and Macy's await you. If you prefer, the AMC 14 Theater is located inside the mall, so you may want to enjoy a movie. Mall maps and current movie showings will be provided. You will have 2 ½ hours to roam.

Note: Bring a hat, water bottle and comfortable shoes for the outdoor wildflower tour. Many of the paths are over uneven gravel.

Ticket cost includes transportation and Wildflower Center entrance and tour.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Ellen Mire

All the Way - Zach Theater - Austin

Dinner on Your Own

Saturday, April 25, \$98 pp

Depart SCPL 1 p.m.; Return 7:30 p.m.

Ticket Purchase Deadline: Friday, April 10



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Remember *All the Way with LBJ?*

This Tony Award-winning play deals with the larger-than-life character of Lyndon B. Johnson negotiating his role as President after Kennedy's assassination. See Johnson as a complicated, vulnerable, and emotionally needy man interacting with some of America's most influential historical figures such as Martin Luther King, Jr., J. Edgar Hoover, George Wallace, Hubert Humphrey, and Robert McNamara. The setting is 1964, when the legislature was grappling with a massive civil rights bill and Vietnam loomed and divided the country. Using down-home, off-color humor, Johnson knew how to make deals, swap favors, twist arms, and employ blackmail-like techniques. Known to run roughshod over people as he felt necessary, he played whatever part it took to win the day. The playwright says, “It's a play about the morality of politics and power,” and wonders, “How much leeway does a good intention give you to violate the law?” See the action unfold from November 22, 1963 up until the Democratic National Convention in 1964.

Following the matinee, we will stop at the Domain where you can choose from a variety of restaurants for dinner on your own. Eat with your friends or join a group of us who will dine together. Ticket cost includes transportation and orchestra seating.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Bobbi Heuss

State Capitol and Cemetery - Austin - NEW!

Lunch - Scholz Garten

Tuesday, April 28, \$41 pp

Depart SCPL 9 a.m.; Return 4 p.m.



2 Explore another chapter in Texas history as we visit a site that has stood for over a century as the legendary spirit of Texas. Our story begins at the State Cemetery, a museum unlike any other in the state. The people who have made Texas so “Texas” are here – from politicians to soldiers,

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lawmen to educators – along with intriguing history, fascinating headstone designs and unusual inscriptions.

Next is Scholz Garten, the oldest beer garden in Texas and home to some fine barbeque. Lunch features smoked brisket and turkey, potato salad, coleslaw, beans, bread, soft drinks and a scoop of Amy’s Mexican vanilla ice cream. Following lunch we will have time to stroll the State Capitol grounds and take in a little “sidewalk history” before our scheduled tour.

Our Capitol tour will begin in the south foyer with its impressive statues and a terrazzo floor depicting the twelve battles fought on Texas soil. A Capitol Guide, well versed in the Capitol’s history and lore, will guide us through the rotunda and dome, House and Senate chambers, Governor’s public reception room, and the Supreme Court. We will finish in the Capitol Extension with a short question and answer session.

Ticket cost includes transportation, tour fees and lunch.

Volunteer Trip Planner: Jeriilee Prather

UT Symphony Orchestra - Bates Hall - Austin - NEW

Dinner - Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen
Monday, May 4, \$53 pp
Depart SCPL 4:30 p.m.; Return 10:30 p.m.
Ticket Purchase Deadline: Thursday, April 30



Our evening begins with dinner at Pappadeaux and their famous salad. Dinner options (select when you purchase tickets): ginger salmon, a char-grilled filet; pan grilled tilapia topped with toasted hazelnuts; mixed seafood grill, a skewer of assorted char-grilled seafood served with dirty rice; rosemary chicken, a new selection receiving rave reviews. Dessert selections: vanilla cheesecake with fresh strawberries or chocolate cake. Coffee, tea, tax and gratuities included.

Following dinner, we will enjoy the UT Symphony Orchestra with Maestro Gerhard Zimmerman, Artistic Director since 2006. This orchestra is quickly becoming recognized as one of the nation’s top college orchestras. The UTSO is a full-sized modern symphony orchestra with 60 to 90 performers, the exact number depending upon repertoire needs. This evening’s repertoire includes *The Chairman Dances*; *Foxtrot for Orchestra*, *Cello Concerto in E Minor, Op. 85* and *Beethoven Symphony No. 4*. Austin is known as the “Live Music Capital of the World,” and this concert will leave no doubt how fortunate we are to have such exceptional talent close to home!

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Volunteer Trip Leader: Anita Reed

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Spring Flower Tour - Tyler - NEW!

Holiday Inn Express - 2 nights with breakfasts

Tuesday, May 5 - Thursday, May 7


\$240 pp double occupancy; \$310 pp single occupancy

Depart The Oaks Tuesday 7:45 a.m.;

Return Thursday 6 p.m.

Ticket Purchase Deadline: **Monday, April 20**



 Have you heard of the roses and gorgeous flowers in Tyler? Come see the roses, tour homes and gardens, visit the Rose Museum with the Queen's gowns,

and tour the Pearce Museum in Corsicana.

Tuesday: We will make a morning stop on the way to Tyler followed by lunch at Traditions, upscale cafeteria-style dining (included). Following lunch we will tour the palatial Goodman-LeGrand House and Museum set on a nine acre tract among trees, flowers, and natural rock. After a tour of the home, enjoy roaming the gardens if you wish. After check-in at the Holiday Inn Express, enjoy a complimentary wine and cheese reception. Dinner will be on your own at one of the nearby restaurants or the hotel restaurant.

Note: All hotel rooms have two double beds. No other options available.

Wednesday: Visit the Rose Museum and Rose Garden with over 3,000 rose bushes set among the numerous pathways. The Potpourri, Tyler's unique dining and shopping experience, will serve us lunch (included). Lunch options when your purchase ticket: chicken salad/fruit/muffin OR marinated chicken breast/veggie/roll; turtle fudge cheesecake for dessert. After lunch our docent will guide our bus through the Garden District where we will be able to get out and visit some of the gardens on the 90 minute tour. Dinner will again be on your own.

Thursday: As we say goodbye to Tyler, it's on to Corsicana to visit the Pearce Civil War and Western Art Museum. You are on your own for lunch, but save room for dessert for a stop at the Russell Stover Candies Outlet Store. Then we are homeward bound with one rest stop.

Ticket cost includes transportation, 2 hotel nights with full service breakfasts, all venue and tour admissions, and 2 lunches.

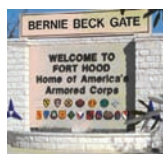
Volunteer Trip Leader: *Ellen Mire*


Fort Hood - Killeen - NEW!

Lunch - Base Dining Facility

Thursday, May 7, \$27 pp

Depart SCPL 9 a.m.; Return 4 p.m.



 Fort Hood is one of the largest US military installations in the world and the home of many units: III Corps, 1st Cavalry Division, First Army Division West,

41st Fire Brigade, plus many others.

Travel to this famed facility to see a performance of the First Cavalry Division Horse Detachment, tour the horse barns and speak with soldiers in that unit, eat a cafeteria-style lunch at the base dining facility, fire weapons simulators, visit the First Cavalry Division Museum, and see many other interesting parts of the base. When we arrive, two soldiers will board the bus and serve as our tour guides.

Notes: All activities are subject to change! No part of the itinerary is guaranteed, as the base is dedicated to its operations and imperatives, but hopefully our trip will go as planned. No weapons permitted on base. Bring your photo ID (driver's license).

Additional notes: This tour requires getting on and off the bus several times and walking on uneven ground. Cameras and cell phones are permitted. Bring your own snacks and beverages due to limited availability on the tour. A long-standing Sun City tradition is to bring cookies for the soldiers, which are always welcome! Please put them in Ziploc bags or disposable containers. Ticket cost includes transportation, tour, and lunch.

Volunteer Trip Leader: *Mary Hoverson*

Branson, Missouri - NEW!

Monday, May 11 - Friday, May 15

Hilton Promenade Hotel - 4 nights with breakfasts

\$695 pp double occupancy; \$750 pp single occupancy

Depart The Oaks 7:30 a.m.; Return 9:30 p.m.

Ticket Purchase Deadline: **Friday, April 10**



 Travel to Branson - an exciting five day trip! Enjoy Branson's world famous shows, attractions and shopping, and take in the springtime beauty of the Ozarks, vibrant with dogwoods, redbuds and wild flowers in bloom.

Monday: Travel day: morning rest stop - Slovaneck's (West); lunch (on your own) - Cracker Barrel (Sherman); afternoon rest stop - Braum's Ice Cream (on your own) (Eufaula, OK) dinner (on your own) - Olive Garden (Fayetteville, AR); arrive at Hilton Promenade (Branson, MO), approx. 10 p.m. This Hilton is situated within the Branson Landing, a waterfront shopping, dining and entertainment district.

Tuesday: Hotel breakfast included. Enjoy morning on your own with mid-morning bus departure. We will travel to the Branson Belle Showboat for a two hour luncheon cruise of Table Rock Lake. Afterwards, it's back to the hotel for an afternoon at the nearby shopping mall. Dinner on your own at Grand Country Buffet followed by *Legends* evening show. For nearly 20 years, Branson's *Legends in Concert* has been bringing tribute to some of the best known artists. Meals Included: **B/L***

Wednesday: This morning we will tour College of the Ozarks including the Williams Memorial Chapel, greenhouses, mill, and the Fruitcake and Jelly Kitchen. Lunch will be on campus at the

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Keeter Center, the school's culinary kitchen school restaurant with amazing food! The afternoon is free for shopping or touring on your own. Dinner on your own at McFarlands, followed by another evening show, *Six*. You won't believe what you hear from their unbeatable harmonies! Meals Included: **B/L***

Thursday: Today we begin with a morning show – Clay Cooper, who shares the stage with 20 cast members in a high-energy country music variety show guaranteed to make you tap your toes, stomp your feet, and even let out a holler or two. Afternoon for shopping and dinner on your own. Evening brings another show, Billy Dean Live, a Grammy winner who has sold over 4 million albums! First appearing on Star Search, Dean won song of the year for *Somewhere In My Broken Heart*. Meals Included: **B***

Friday: Travel day: morning rest stop – Wal-Mart (Van Buren, AR); lunch – various fast food choices (McAlester, OK); afternoon rest stop – Wal-Mart (Red Oak, TX); dinner – Golden Corral (Waco). Arrive Sun City approx. 9:30 p.m. Meals Included: **B*** Ticket cost includes transportation, 4 hotel nights and breakfasts, college; 2 lunches and all show tickets.

*** Meals included in price: B – Breakfast; L – Lunch**

Volunteer Trip Leader: *Judy Schlobohm*

Celtic Woman – Long Center – Austin - NEW!

Dinner on Your Own

Thursday, May 14, \$89 pp

Depart SCPL 4 p.m.; Return 10:30 p.m.



2 There is no group more energetic or inspiring than *Celtic Woman*, an all-female musical sensation! Traditional Irish music played with electrifying harmonies will have you hanging on every note. The only thing

disappointing about this performance is going to be when it ends! If you have seen it before, you will want to go again. Whether you have seen it or not, join us for this special treat in orchestra seating. *Celtic Woman* has been described as “Riverdance for the voice.”

Before we go to the Long Center, we will stop at the Domain,

where you can choose the restaurant of your choice for dinner on your own. Go with your friends or meet new ones! There's always a group that will welcome you.

Ticket cost includes transportation and orchestra right tickets.

Volunteer Trip Leader: *Bobbi Heuss*

Esther's Follies - Austin - NEW!

Dinner – P. F. Chang's

Thursday, May 21, \$72 pp

Depart SCPL 4:30 p.m.; Return 10:30 p.m.



1 Our evening begins with an exceptional dining experience at the highly-rated P. F. Chang's China Bistro in downtown Austin. Family style dining features the following: appetizers – chicken lettuce wraps,

crab wontons, egg drop soup; entrées – Chang's spicy chicken, Mongolian beef, crispy honey shrimp, sesame chicken; dessert – assorted sweet treats. A cash bar will be available with happy hour prices for a beverage of your choice. Coffee, tea, tax and gratuities included.

After dinner we will board our motor coach and go to Esther's Follies for non-stop laughter. This show is a good mix of skits with timely current events, magic that will amaze you, great music and incredible costumes – all with a Texas-size sense of humor. We have offered Esther's Follies since 2009 and many residents have returned many times. Esther's Follies never disappoints! The material is fresh, funnier than ever and will provide an evening of true entertainment and hearty laughter. Esther's has been the “talk of the town” for years. If laughter is good for the soul, this show will add years to your life.

Ticket cost includes transportation, dinner and show (center section seats).

Volunteer Trip Leader: *Anita Reed*

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Midtown Men - Long Center - Austin - NEW!

Dinner on Your Own

Saturday, May 23, \$78 pp

Depart SCPL 4:30 p.m.; Return 10:30 p.m.



3 First, we will travel to The Domain where you may select the restaurant of your choice for dinner on your own. The Domain has many restaurant choices such as Maggiano's, The Steeping Room, Urban Grill, Gloria's, California Kitchen, and Black Finn to name a few.

After dinner, we will head to the Long Center to hear Midtown Men, who sing favorites from '60s bands such as The Beatles, The Rascals, Motown, and The Four Seasons. If you liked *Jersey Boys*, you will love the Midtown Men as they are the original cast. This concert is filled with music that defined the '60s. This electrifying production has top-shelf choreography, onstage chemistry and incredible vocal performances.

Ticket cost includes transportation and orchestra seats for the performance.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Flo Zydowicz

Jay Leno - Long Center - Austin - NEW!

Dinner - Cantina Laredo

Monday, May 25, \$142 pp

Depart SCPL 3:30 p.m.; Return 10 p.m.



1 Jay Leno is coming to Austin, and Sun City is going to see him! As former host of *The Tonight Show* for more than two decades, Jay Leno has long been a familiar

face to households across the country. Before he took over the coveted role from Johnny Carson, Leno was an established stand-up comedian and television writer, and he continued to return to those roots throughout his lengthy career. With focus on current events in politics and entertainment, this Emmy Award winner delights audiences time and time again thanks to his flexibility with fresh, topical material.

Prior to the show, we will enjoy a delicious dinner at Cantina Laredo in downtown Austin. A special fajita buffet includes fresh guacamole along with salsa, chips, and chili con queso followed by beef and chicken fajitas with all the trimmings. You will be able to make your fajitas just the way you like them. Dessert choices are Mexican apple pie or a Mexican brownie. There will be ample time for you to purchase a beverage of your choice from the cash bar. Consider the special Sun City \$3 "Casa Rita" to complement your dinner with a Texas flair. Ticket cost includes transportation, dinner, and show (orchestra center seats).

Volunteer Trip Leader: Anita Reed

Bat Cruise - Lady Bird Lake - Austin - NEW!

Wednesday, May 27 OR Thursday, June 4, \$27 pp

Depart SCPL 6:45 p.m.; Return 10 p.m.



1 Join us for one of those attractions that helps "Keep Austin Weird!" Bat watching at the Congress Avenue Bridge draws people from far and near. When up to 1.5 million

Mexican free-tail bats fly out from the bridge, all eyes are on the sky, and we will have the best vantage point to see them from the Lone Star Riverboat on Lady Bird Lake.

We will first enjoy an hour-long guided cruise on the lake taking in the sights and the dramatic cityscape at sunset just as the skyscrapers light up. At dusk we will be positioned under the bridge to witness first one, then hundreds, then thousands of bats emerging from under the bridge for their nightly search for insects. This is a sight not to be missed!

Ticket cost includes transportation and riverboat cruise.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Valerie Weis

Austin Symphony Orchestra - Long Center - Austin - NEW!

Dinner - Trio Restaurant

Friday, May 29, \$127 pp

Depart SCPL 4 p.m.; Return 10:30 p.m.

Ticket Purchase Deadline: Thursday, May 21



1 Join us for the finale of the Austin Symphony Orchestra Classical series. On the program is the US premiere of *Tanzende Faune (An Orchestra Play)*, Op. 21 by Carl Orff. Also on the program is *Hymn to the Sun* from the

opera *Iris*, by Pietro Mascagni, who is most well-known for his opera, *Cavalleria Rusticana*. However, the highlight of the evening will be the performance of Orff's famous *Carmina Burana*, sung by Chorus Austin and Chorus Austin Children's Chorus. Orff composed this work in the 1930s, putting to music 24 Latin poems written by students and clergy in the 12th and 13th century for travelling scholars. The pieces are mostly bawdy, irreverent, and satirical. The single song *O Fortuna* (the Roman goddess of luck and fate) from the movement *Fortuna Imperatrix Mundi*, is often heard in popular films. You don't want to miss over 150 musicians performing this colossal piece of music.

Before the performance we will enjoy a leisurely meal at Trio Restaurant at Four Seasons Hotel. Menu includes Trio's mixed salad, their famous pork chop, mashed potatoes, asparagus and dessert. Soft drink, tax and tip included.

After dinner, we will arrive at the Long Center in time for the informative pre-concert talk given by Bob Buckalew.

Ticket cost includes transportation, dinner, pre-concert talk, and orchestra seating.

Volunteer Trip Leader: Valerie Weis

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Shape & Tone 11:45 a.m. - Leslie	Twinges 'n Hinges 10:30 a.m. - Ann	Aqua Conditioning 10:30 a.m. - Allison	Twinges 'n Hinges 10:30 a.m. - Ann	Shape & Tone 11:45 a.m. - Leslie	
Aqua for Balance 12:30 p.m. - Julie	Gentle Breath Yoga 11:45 a.m. - Joy	Shape & Tone 11:45 a.m. - Leslie	Gentle Breath Yoga 11:45 a.m. - Joy	Aqua for Balance 12:30 p.m. - Julie	
Sit-n-Fit 12:50 p.m. - Peggy	Adv. Aqua Fitness 12 p.m. - Leesa	Aqua for Balance 12:30 p.m. - Julie	Adv. Aqua Fitness 12 p.m. - Leesa	Stretching 101 1 p.m.	
Aqua Fit Lite 1:45 p.m. - Anna	Beginner Zumba 1 p.m. - Taryn	Abs & Back 1 p.m.	Tai Chi 12:50 p.m. - Louis	Aqua Fit Lite 1:45 p.m. - Anna	
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Beginner Yoga 4:45 p.m. - Amanda	Aqua for Balance 3:30 p.m. - Julie	All Levels Yoga 3:15 p.m. - Anna	Aqua for Balance 3:30 p.m. - Julie		
Fun/Fit Aqua 6 p.m. - Beth	Integral Yoga 4:30 p.m. - Linda	CW Dance JB/Gregory 5 p.m. 2-Step 6 p.m. Salsa	Yoga for Joints 4:30 p.m. - Amanda		
	Men's Pilates - Beg. 5:45 p.m. - Nancy	Fun/Fit Aqua 6 p.m. - Beth	Men's Pilates - Int. 5:45 p.m. - Nancy		
		Tai Chi 7:15 p.m. - Larry			

Power Cycle 6:30 a.m. - Marnie	Cycle Express 6:30 a.m. - Jan	Power Cycle 6:30 a.m. - Marnie	Cycle Express 6:30 a.m. - Jan	Power Cycle 6:30 a.m. - Marnie	Cycling 9 a.m. - Leslie
Beginner Yoga 8 a.m. - Kristen	Power Pilates 8 a.m. - Marnie	Beginner Yoga 8 a.m. - Kristen	Power Pilates 8 a.m. - Marnie	Beginner Yoga 8 a.m. - Kristen	
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Coached Lap 11:45 a.m. - Donna	Chair Yoga 12:15 p.m. - Jenny	Coached Lap 11:45 a.m. - Donna	Hatha Flow Yoga 12:15 p.m. - Jenny	Beginner Strength 12:45 p.m. - Don	
30-Min. Strength 1 p.m. - Donna	30 Min. Cycle 1:30 p.m. - Whitney	30-Min. Strength 1 p.m. - Donna	30 Min. Cycle 1:30 p.m. - Whitney	Balance & Strength 2 p.m. - Donna	
Senior Boot Camp 2 p.m. - Leslie	Strength & Stretch 2:15 p.m. - Jan	Senior Boot Camp 2 p.m. - Leslie	Strength & Stretch 2:15 p.m. - Jan		
Basic Step 3:15 p.m. - Leslie	Meditation Breath 3:30 p.m. - Jenny	Basic Step 3:15 p.m. - Leslie	Meditation 2 3:30 p.m. - Jenny		
Beginner Strength 4:45 p.m. - Don	Slim Down Series 4:45 p.m. - Beth W.	Beginner Cycle 4:45 p.m. - Don	Senior Boot Camp 5:45 p.m. - Leslie		
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MARCH FITNESS CALENDAR

TEXAS DRIVE

COWAN CREEK

KEY

Aqua classes are identified by a droplet.

Shaded classes require a special rate, as well as pre-registration.

March Class Series – Sign Up Today!

Pre-registration for series classes is required and space is limited. Sign up at the Texas Drive or Cowan Creek Fitness Center front desk today!

30 minute Cycle

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:30-2 p.m. • CC
9 classes for \$22.50, March 3-31

A quick and great workout on indoor cycling bikes, which means a huge calorie burn in a low-impact, joint-friendly environment. This class is great for beginners and avid cyclists who just want a quick ride. Series taught by Whitney.

Abs and Back Series

Wednesdays, 1-1:30 p.m. • TD
4 classes for \$12, March 4-25

A 30-minute class focusing on the abdominal and back muscles. Strengthening the trunk improves balance! Participants should be able to get on and off the ground.

Aqua Boot Camp Series

Tuesdays and Thursdays
5:45-6:30 p.m. • CC
9 classes for \$27, March 3-31

A low-impact, high-intensity, cross-training workout in the water focusing on cardiovascular, strength and core training, utilizing a variety of resistance equipment. Series taught by Beth and Ann.

Aqua for Balance Series

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
12:30-1:30 p.m. • TD
13 classes for \$39, March 2-30

OR

Tuesdays and Thursdays
3:30-4:15 p.m. • TD
9 classes for \$27, March 3-31

A beginner pool program for those seeking to improve balance, coordination and strength, incorporating aquatic-specific relaxation techniques to reduce stress and improve cardiovascular health. Series taught by Julie and Louise. *Class size limited to 15 participants.

Balance & Strength Training

Fridays, 2-2:45 p.m. • CC
4 classes for \$12, March 6-27

A full-body strength, balance and flexibility workout using the stability ball and various fitness equipment. Series led by Donna.

Beginner Cycling Series

Wednesdays, 4:45-5:30 p.m. • CC
4 classes for \$12, March 4-25

A 45-minute indoor cycling class that teaches the basic set-up, technique and form during a great indoor cycling workout. Series taught by Don.

Beginner Strength Series

Mondays, 4:45-5:30 p.m. • CC
5 classes for \$15, March 2-30
OR

Fridays, 12:45-1:30 p.m. • CC
4 session series for \$12, March 6-27

This 45-minute class will teach the basics of strength training and weight-lifting including core strength, improved posture, muscular strength and flexibility. Series led by Don.

Beginner Yoga Series

Mondays, 4:45 - 5:45 p.m. • TD
5 classes for \$20, March 2-30

Learn the basic principles and postures of yoga to begin creating your own personal yoga practice in a safe, strengthening and relaxing way. Series taught by Amanda.

Beginner Yoga Series

Wednesdays, 5:45-6:45 p.m. • CC
4 classes for \$16, March 4-25

Learn the basic principles and postures of yoga to begin creating your own personal yoga practice in a safe, strengthening and relaxing way. Series taught by Anna.

Beginner Zumba Series

Tuesdays, 1-1:45 p.m. • TD
5 classes for \$15, March 3-31

Learn all the basic moves of Zumba! Dance yourself into cardiovascular fitness and a strong core with this fun, Latin-based dance class! Series taught by Taryn.

Chair Yoga Series

Tuesdays, 12:15-1 p.m. • CC
5 classes for \$15, March 3-31

A yoga class working in and with a chair. Modified yoga poses used along with focus on alignment and breath. Perfect for those who want to get the balance, strength and flexibility benefits of yoga without getting on and off the floor. Series taught by Jenny.

SERIES CLASS LOCATIONS KEY

TD – Texas Drive Fitness Center
CC – Cowan Creek Fitness Center

Circuit Training Series

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:15-4 p.m. • TD
9 classes for \$27, March 3-31

Crunched for time, but want to lose inches and burn fat? Circuit training is the workout for you. Circuit training works the entire body, using dumbbells, a medicine ball, and your own body weight. This high-intensity, low impact workout is good for both beginners and seasoned athletes. Series taught by Donna.

Coached Lap Swim

Mondays and Wednesdays
11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. • CC
9 classes for \$27, March 2-30

This 45-minute class includes swimming technique and lap swimming for improved fitness and cardiovascular health. Classes led by Donna. Not for beginner swimmers.

Hatha Flow Yoga Series

Thursdays, 12:15-1:15 p.m. • CC
4 classes for \$12, March 5-26

Hatha Flow uses breath to link a series of yoga poses in a flowing sequence. Students in this class should have previous experience with yoga postures and principals. Series led by Jenny.

Intermediate Zumba Series

Tuesdays, 2 - 2:50 p.m. • TD
5 classes for \$15, March 3-31

Dance yourself into cardiovascular fitness and a strong core with this fun, Latin-based dance class! Series taught by Taryn.

Meditation, Breath and Movement Series 1

Tuesdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m. • CC
5 classes for \$15, March 3-31

This class is suitable for those seeking an introduction to basic meditation techniques, as well as those looking to deepen their existing practice. The class will include gentle yoga movements, breath and mediation exercises, and deep relaxation. Series taught by Jenny.

Meditation, Breath and Movement Series 2

Thursdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m. • CC
4 classes for \$12, March 5-26

Building on principles and techniques of meditation, this class is intended for stu-

dents with an existing meditation practice. This class can be taken in addition to, or as an advanced version for graduates of the Level 1 Meditation Series on Tuesdays. Series taught by Jenny.

Pilates for Men Series - Beginner

Tuesdays, 5:45 - 6:45 p.m. • TD

5 classes for \$15, March 3-31

An introductory men's class to develop balance, flexibility, and core strength with focus on abdominals and back while improving posture. Women may register to attend; however, this class will be focused toward men. Series taught by Nancy.

Pilates for Men Series - Intermediate

Thursdays, 5:45-6:45 p.m. • TD

4 classes for only \$12, March 5-26

This class is for experienced exercisers who want to be challenged to develop greater balance, flexibility, and core strength with focus on abdominals and back while improving posture. Women may register to attend; however, this class will be focused toward men. Series taught by Nancy.

Senior Boot Camp

Tuesdays and Thursdays

5:45-6:45 p.m. • CC

9 classes for \$27, March 3-31

A combination class that incorporates the walking track, indoor cycling, strength training, core work and stretching. Series taught by Leslie.

Slim Down Series

Tuesdays and Thursdays

4:45-5:30 p.m. • CC

6 classes for \$15, March 3-31

A beginning to intermediate circuit workout which incorporates cardio interval training, muscle strengthening, core stability and joint mobility. Series taught by Beth.

Stretching 101

Fridays, 1-1:45 p.m. • TD

4 classes for \$12, March 6-27

Learn essentials to stretching all muscle groups to improve flexibility and help prevent injury!

Tai Chi - All Levels

Wednesdays, 7:15-8:15 p.m. • TD

4 classes for only \$20, March 4 - March 25

This fun class will review, refine and clarify many of the Yang 24 Form postures and explore new practice techniques. Series taught by Larry.

Yoga for Joint Mobility

Thursdays, 4:30-5:30 p.m. • TD

4 classes for \$16, March 5-26

A yoga class designed to gently loosen the joints in the feet, ankles, knees, hips, torso, spine, and neck. Class will explore joint-freeing yoga exercises and relaxation. Series taught by Amanda.

Zumba Toning Series

Thursdays, 2 - 2:50 p.m. • TD

4 classes for \$12, March 5-26

Learn the basic moves of Zumba plus muscle toning! Dance yourself into cardiovascular fitness and develop a strong core with this fun, Latin-based dance class! Series taught by Taryn.

Questions about a series class? Contact Whitney Alexander at 512-948-7753 or email whitney.alexander@sctexas.org.

FREE Equipment Demonstrations

Join a certified personal trainer for an inside look at a piece of fitness equipment, including proper set-up and how to use it most effectively. Come to a free demonstration on the second and fourth Wednesday of March at 2 p.m..

Texas Drive

March 11 | Leg Press Machine

Cowan Creek

March 25 | Leg Press Machine

March Group Fitness All Access Pass

Unlimited Group Fitness Classes for only \$55!

Purchase your March All Access Pass and join us for any class all month. This great deal is good for any of the 100+ classes on our group fitness schedule each week, with the exception of series classes. Enjoy Pilates, Cardio, Cycling, Aqua, Yoga, Tai Chi and more! Only \$55. Expires 3.31.15. Non-transferable. No refunds.

Rates for Personal Training Sessions

1/2 Hour.....	\$30
One Hour.....	\$45
5 1/2 Hours.....	\$115
5 One Hours.....	\$200

Questions about personal training? Email john.rutan@sctexas.org or visit our website.



Sun City Texas Massage
Relax...Unwind...Enjoy
 Get a 60-minute massage starting as low as \$65. Schedule yours today by calling 512-948-7781!

Group Fitness Tutorial

Monday, March 9, 9:45 a.m.,
Cowan Creek

In the Group Fitness Tutorial, Whitney Alexander, Sun City Texas Group Fitness Coordinator, will answer your questions about group fitness classes. If you want more information about the classes offered, which class is right for you and how to get started, come join us.



Rates for Personal Training Sessions

½ Hour Session...\$30 • One Hour Session...\$45
5 - ½ Hour Sessions...\$115 • 5 - One Hour Sessions...\$200
Questions about personal training? Email john.rutan@sctexas.org or visit our website.

Meet Your Personal Trainer
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Allison Worley



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- Certified Personal Trainer - National Academy Sports Medicine
- Senior Fitness Specialist
- Corrective Exercise Specialist Golf
- Stott Pilates Instructor AFAA
- Spinning Instructor

For an appointment with Allison call 512-948-7759

Athlete of the Month

By Lynda Dufour

Sheri Brainard doesn't like to fly solo. She would shiver at the suggestion of swimming laps in a single lane or taking a long, solitary run.

The more the merrier for this fun-loving extrovert, who lettered in five team sports (softball, track, basketball, tennis and cheerleading) while she was a high school student in Lone Oak, Texas. Even though Sheri's only lived in Sun City Texas for eighteen months, she already feels at home on the community softball field, where she keeps score and tends to the website, and on the pickleball court, where she and her buddies fondly refer to themselves as the "pickle jar." Sheri also clogs and is a member of the Sun City Dance & Drill Club.

Sheri, 54, describes herself as a former "road warrior," whose work and global travel consumed her time and energy. She worried about a family history of diabetes and heart disease, but would nevertheless use food to deal with stress, then turn to fad diets to lose weight. "My excuse was that I didn't have time to exercise," she admits. "Now I do. No excuses."

The turning point for Sheri came when she and husband Scott toured the Sun City Texas Fitness Center during required orientation for new residents and saw the top-notch facilities. She knew it was time to rediscover the former athlete within, and she enlisted Sun City personal trainer Allison Worley to kick the process into high gear.

Sheri says it's the "fun, friendship and accountability" that motivates her to work out with Allison up to three times each week. "I'm very social. Allison understands that I need my workouts to be fun. She mixes things up for me. I don't have time to get bored. She pushes me to work longer and harder than I would on my own."

As a personal trainer, Allison says she believes in training a client to be strong and prepared for the life they want to enjoy. "Sheri was an athlete back in her high school days, so I look for ways to tap into that inner athlete," says Allison. "She is



Sheri Brainard
Personal Trainer: Allison Worley

a great example of someone who likes to have fun, and that's what our workouts are about. We laugh and enjoy our time together. I train Sheri to MOVE, because I really believe that the more you move, the more you move. And that keeps us young and happy!"



Give Me Strength!

By Mike Gullickson

PHOTO BY CHARLIE BYERS

When you hear “Strength Class”, what springs to mind? Is it a Spartan gym filled with bulky men clad in torn tee shirts, grunting and groaning under the enormous weight of the barbells they’re lifting over their heads? Is it Rocky Balboa? Is it Ahhhold?

Maybe it’s time to update that image.

In Marilyn Pagano’s Strength workout, you might still hear some grunting and groaning, but it won’t be because of 500-pound barbells. Instead, you’ll find this energetic instructor giving commands to lift, stretch, push and pull, encouraging class members to engage all their muscles as they move about the room, maximizing aerobic as well as anaerobic benefits.

Described by participants as warm, focused and creative, this writer also observed Marilyn to be a particularly attentive and patient instructor, leading her very inclusive workout with enough vigor to keep everyone moving, but not

so much that anyone fell behind. Using light weights, the class first marched, then danced to the left and the right, lifting their arms and extending so many kicks that for a minute I felt I should get hazardous duty pay.

Marilynn encouraged her group to take breaks when needed. Many of the students took her advice, breaking for water. Personally, I carry a two liter bottle of Coke Zero with me at all times, so I was good to go.

As one might expect from a workout class, the music was active and inspiring. This would be a particularly good class for golfers, line dancers, softball players, couch potatoes, sky divers, or anyone else with a pulse who would like to continue having one. It is recommended that you see a doctor immediately if you notice you have no pulse.

Strength meets every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at the Texas Drive Fitness Center.

Strength

Tuesdays and Thursdays
10:30 a.m.

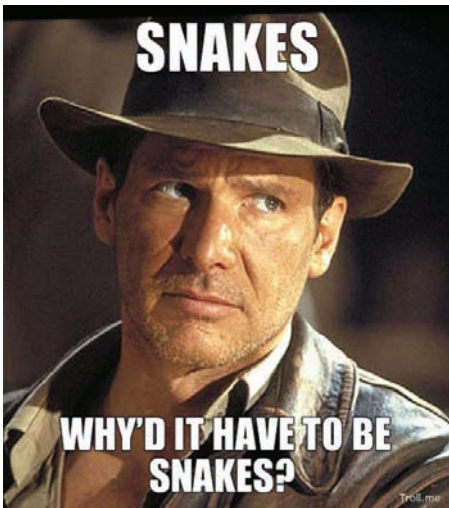
Texas Drive Fitness Center

Strength training uses resistance equipment to build overall strength and muscular endurance.

Questions?

For more information about Strength and other group fitness classes, email Whitney Alexander at whitney.alexander@sctexas.org or call 512-948-7753.

Scaly, wriggly, fork-tongued and sharp-fanged, snakes have inspired anxiety and revulsion for thousands of years. Roughly one-third of adults have expressed some degree of ophidiophobia (fear of snakes), making it the most commonly reported phobia in the world. Scientists have long hypothesized that our tendency toward aversion might be hardwired into our biology and in 2013, researchers even discovered a particular set of neurons in our brains which respond exclusively to snakes.



RAIDERS OF THE LOST ARK, 1981

So if these undulating reptiles haven't exactly been winning any popularity contests, then what would compel an individual to head toward a venomous coral snake – or, for that matter, to rush to the creature's defense after it responds with a life-threatening bite?

For accomplished herpetologist and inveterate snake wrangler Jim Christiansen, the answer lies in a lifetime of curiosity, and a deep understanding for the animal's place in our world.

Growing up on the family farm, Jim spent his childhood surrounded by animals of every variety. Domesticated or wild, it made no difference to Jim – he loved them all, and exhausted countless hours observing the snakes and frogs in



Coral Snakes

Essential, Avoidable, Deadly

By Edna Heard

PHOTO BY EDNA HEARD

Sun City snake wrangler Jim Christiansen survived a painful, venomous bite by a coral snake.

a nearby pond. His passion for wildlife continued through his adolescence and on into college, where he majored in both chemistry and biology. Just three days before graduating as valedictorian of Buena Vista College, Jim received a telegram inviting him to assist on a study of rare turtles in South America, thus launching his lifelong career as a hands-on herpetologist (scientist specializing in reptiles and amphibians).

When Jim retired from his professorship at Drake University, he didn't exactly trade in his lab equipment for a set of golf clubs. Instead, almost immediately after moving to Sun City Texas in January of 2006, Jim launched himself into an investigation of reptile and amphibian populations within the community, mapping the location of every species – living or otherwise – he possibly could. Jim has also used his post-professional years to

report on the natural history of Iowa's reptiles and amphibians, participate in a study on the adaptability of turtles in West Texas, identify a new turtle shell disease, and provide swift, humane removal of snakes from Sun City homes.

It was the last of these listed endeavors that brought Jim out to Neighborhood 16 this past fall, responding to a report of a coral snake – the fourth reported in that area in the past nine years. Though easily identified by its red-on-yellow bands, coral snake sightings are uncommon due to the creature's reclusive, non-aggressive temperament. Accounting for fewer than 1% of all venomous snake bites in the United States, an individual is more likely to be hit by lightning than be bit by a coral snake.

Circumstances, of course, can change the probability of any scenario, and just as standing in an open field won't help your odds in a lightning storm, handling a venomous snake with any less than the utmost of care will create a liability for even the most experienced of experts.

Though well acquainted with snake-removal protocol, on the day he was called in to Neighborhood 16, Jim found himself hurried by an outside appointment. Utilizing specially-designed tongs, he gently moved the coral snake into a cotton bag. However, rather than using the tongs to ensure the snake was secured at the bottom of the bag, Jim had simply pushed the snake down with his boot. As a result, the snake was not where he had anticipated, and as he tied a knot in the top of the bag, the slim reptile made its defensive move, biting his finger through the fabric of the bag.

Unlike rattlesnakes, which strike quickly to inject hemotoxin deep into their victim's flesh, coral snakes must gnaw for up to thirty seconds in order to release their deadly neurotoxin from their fangs. Throwing the bag to the ground,

Jim was able to break the snake's hold immediately. Bleeding profusely and in extreme pain, he drove himself home and instructed his wife to call the emergency room so they could prepare to treat a coral snake bite. Jim began experiencing a strange sensation in his mouth, and the bite area continued to swell and ache with a burning intensity. Refusing an ambulance, he and his wife got in the car and drove to the hospital.

A true emergency, Jim was treated immediately upon arrival to the ER. Harboring one of the world's most potent venoms (only the black mamba's is more powerful), a coral snake's bite can disrupt the connections between the brain and the muscles, resulting in slurred speech, double vision, and respiratory paralysis. Antivenin is scarce and enormously costly – the only American manufacturer ceased production in 2003, and a finite amount of Mexican-produced antidote is held exclusively in Florida.

After considering his options, Jim decided to hold off on the antivenin. Only one of the snake's fangs had made contact with his skin, and he had been able to remove the snake swiftly, limiting the damage it was able to inflict. Following a 24 hour stay in the hospital, Jim began to heal at home. Within four days, the pain was all but gone, and the numbness in the bite area returned to normal after a few weeks.

It is crucial to note that, while Jim's experience was a truly life-threatening one, he holds the utmost respect for both the dangers posed and benefits offered by venomous snakes, which are an essential part of our native ecosystem, keeping rodent and other small animal populations at bay. As the weather warms, human encounters with snakes cooling off or hunting for food in garages, crawl spaces, gardens and pools will become more likely.



PHOTO COURTESY OF JIM CHRISTIANSEN

In spite of being bitten by a coral snake, Jim continues to have the utmost respect for venomous snakes and a passion for all wildlife.

To avoid contact, Jim advises residents to look before they leap – or step, or reach. Never stick your hands or feet into thick vegetation if you can't be certain what's in there. Wear thick boots when hiking (on trails, of course) and use gloves when gardening, landscaping or gathering firewood. Snakes generally only bite for two reasons: for food or defense. If you can avoid provoking a snake – knowingly or otherwise – you can usually avoid getting bit. If you spot any reptiles, living or dead, call a wrangler. They'll pick it up and use the information to add to the Sun City Texas reptile distribution map. Jim's final and perhaps most important tip? Be sure to keep your garage door closed all the way. This is how snakes get into the house, and you don't want to find one in your kitchen – but if you do, call a snake wrangler and go out to eat.

What's on Channel 79?

Tune in to Channel 79 for the latest information on upcoming events in both Sun City and the Georgetown area, as well as important notifications. In addition to Sit-n-Fit and News & Views, Channel 79 also broadcasts the following:

- Sun City Texas Town Halls, Board Meetings and Workshops
- New Resident Orientation dates and times
- Veterans Memorial Plaza engraved brick contact information
- Blood Drive information
- City of Georgetown Police Department Take Me Home Program info

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next to an event, it means that event will be broadcast live on Channel 79.

MARCH PROGRAMS

Sit-n-Fit (pre-recorded)

Tuesdays / 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.
Fridays & Saturdays
10 a.m. & 2 p.m.

*See page 31 for live classes.

News & Views

Monday through Saturday
9 a.m., noon & 4 p.m.

Wildlife Town Hall

Thursday, March 12, 9:30 a.m.

Watch Channel 79 online! Visit www.sctexas.org; click on Communications; click on Videos

News & Views

News & Views is a weekly resident-produced TV show about people and events in Sun City Texas. Have ideas for interVIEWS? Send an email to newsandviews@sctexas.org.

MARCH PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Broadcast Monday through Saturday at 9 a.m., noon and 4 p.m.

MARCH FOCUS: 11th Anniversary of News & Views

MARCH 2 - 7

SCAMS - Beware! continues with Cheryl and John.

MARCH 9 - 14

The RC Modelers promote an upcoming event and our Key Staff Interviews continue with Sheree Barnes.

MARCH 16 - 21

Key Staff Interviews meets with Krystal Wilson, Communications Director (and our Executive Producer).

MARCH 23 - 28

Our Music: Life Long Love segment spotlights Beverly and Rohi Emran.

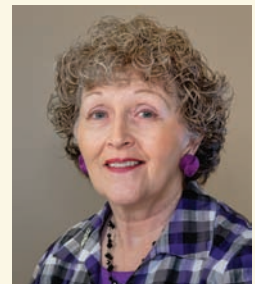
MARCH 30 - APRIL 4

News and Views celebrates 11 years on the air, along with a spotlight on John Bickle.

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- Saturdays 9:30 a.m., Worship Place. Mondays 10 a.m., Wednesdays and Fridays 3 p.m., Scott & White Clinic. Donna, 512-240-5151, or Wally, 512-240-4747.
- Georgetown White House Group meets at 1019 S. College Street four times daily, 512-863-9938.

Al-Anon For friends and family related to alcoholics:

- Saturdays 11 a.m., Georgetown Church of Christ, 1525 W. University Ave.; Darlene, 512-868-0948.
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- Mondays, 3:30 p.m., Scott & White Clinic, 4945 Williams Dr., Conference Room off the Lobby. Susan, 512-240-4289.

ALS Assn. (Lou Gehrig's Disease)

1st Thursday ea/mo, 10:30 a.m., S&W Boardroom, Jennifer Beckett, 512-745-0400 or email j.beckett@alsa-texas.org.

Alzheimer's Last Tuesday each month, 7-9 p.m., The Worship Place, Cheryl White at 512-864-1380.

Alzheimer's & Dementia A free monthly lunch and learn at the Wesleyan at Estrella with a different topic each month relating to Alzheimer's and dementia. Call 512-943-9804.

Breast Cancer 4th Monday ea/mo, 1-3 p.m., Cowan Creek Andice Rm. Alice Fey, RN, 512-868-9515 (h) or 512-966-0388 (c).

Cancer For individuals with cancer as well as family members and friends. Meets twice monthly. Call Anne, 512-426-4964.

Cardiac Support Group Meets on second Tuesdays at 10 a.m. at Seton Williamson, 201 Seton Parkway in Round Rock. Contact Lydia Terry at laterry@seton.org or 512-324-4000 ext. 21828.

COPD A support group has formed for Sun City residents who have chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). For more information, contact resident Helen Brayton at 512-864-0039.

Grief First & third Tuesdays, 1:30-3 p.m., Scott & White Clinic Conference Room, 4945 Williams Drive. Contact Glenn Gray at 254-724-4090.

GriefShare Contact Jim Nelson at 512-639-4457 or jamesb40@suddenlink.net.

Hearing Solutions Second Thursdays monthly, 3 p.m., in the Activities Center CyberCenter. Contact Nelda McQuary at 512-819-0499 or mcquary@suddenlink.net.

Low Vision Meets the second Thursday ea/mo, 10-11 a.m. at The Wesleyan at Estrella Independent Living. Contact Helen Sanders, 512-868-5189, or Barbie Stoner, 512-868-9808

Neuropathy Monday, March 9 from 1-2:30 p.m., 2423 Williams Dr., Suite 101, LakeAire Shopping Center, Community Room A, Georgetown. Whitney Alexander from Sun City Fitness Center discusses exercise as treatment for neuropathy. Contact Diane at suncity@handsfeetheart.org or 512-863-9293.

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Parkinson's Meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. in the Georgetown Health Foundation rooms at 2423 Williams Drive. **NEW:** We now have a Care Partner Support Group meeting on second Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. at the same location. For information, contact Mary Jane Berry at 512-240-4167; dberry3@suddenlink.net.

Post Polio Survivors The next meeting will be held Thursday, March 26, at 10 a.m. in the Scott & White Conference Room. If you have questions, call LaNell at 512-868-1427 or lanellchampion@yahoo.com.

Prostate Cancer The Prostate Cancer Support Group will meet on Thursday, March 12, from 3-5 p.m. at Scott & White Clinic conference room. Dr. Hellerstedt will present an update on various modes of chemotherapy for prostate cancer. Contact Ed Quillen for additional information, equillen@suddenlink.net.

Sjogren's Syndrome Meets quarterly. Helen Smith at 512-869-8840 or Linda Frost at 512-255-6049.

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Stroke Survivors - Williamson County Stroke Support Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month - 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the Scott & White Georgetown/Sun City Clinic - 4945 Williams Dr. Lee Mobley 512-657-1779 or Laura Trela 512-509-9432, ltrela@swmail.sw.org.



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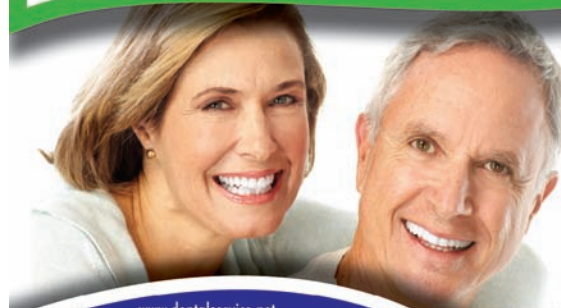
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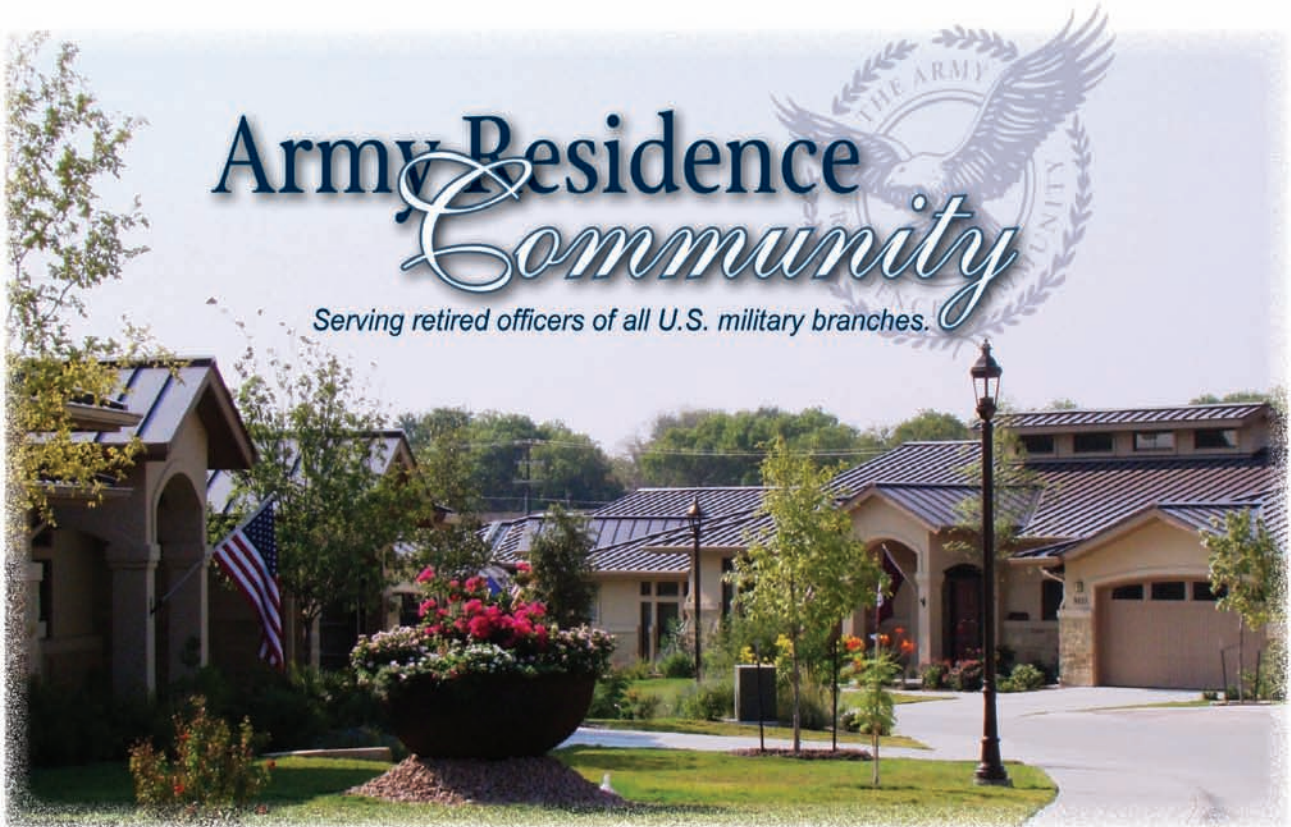
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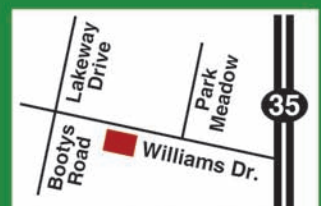
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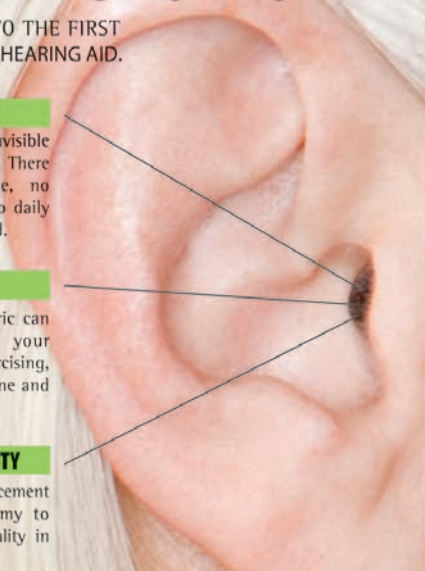
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Solving Mysteries: The Genealogical Puzzles of Life

By Karen Swennson

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Imagine taking on a puzzle you've never seen before, with no idea how many pieces it contains or what the end results might be. Challenging? Definitely. But for many, watching as something recognizable takes form can be a captivating process of discovery. Such is the experience of genealogy research. Between photos and names and government documents, the range of information available can be overwhelming, but whether you're an investigative novice or a seasoned research veteran, chances are, someone in the Sun City Computer Club's Genealogy Special Interest Group (SIG) will be able to steer you in the right direction.

Since its inception in 1997, genealogy has grown from eight members to a current mailing list of over 200. The only one of the club's original three SIGs still in existence, the group hosted 625 meeting attendees and 587 class participants in 2014 alone. Clearly there's no shortage of ancestral curiosity here in Sun City! Betty Jean Steinke, Genealogy SIG

leader since 2007, and her support group leads—Bonnie Berg (Family Tree Maker), Lori Trenk (Legacy) and Betty Fowler (DNA)—maintain close contact with groups like the Williamson County and Austin Genealogical Societies, both rich sources of information and speakers. The SIG's monthly meetings offer a wide variety of topics, including (but not limited to): how to navigate specific software; utilizing websites and blogs; developing your own website; ordering films from the LDS Family History Center, and access online indexed records (Genealogy SIG members frequently volunteer to index files for the LDS website). Speaker topics have included how to prepare for a research trip; which records to search, where to find them, and what information might be gleaned from each; and how to “read between the lines.” The Genealogy SIG's web page lists educational opportunities, nearby genealogy resources, websites, research tips, regularly scheduled local meetings and notices of special events.

When many began tracing their families' roots in the 1970s, there were no genealogy database applications. A limited number of documents were stored on microfilm, but in-depth research often required writing numerous queries to genealogical publications or trips to courthouses and museums to review historic records. In 1983, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (LDS) introduced its free PAF (Personal Ancestral File) genealogy management software. Followed by the release of Genealogical Data Communication (GEDCOM) in 1986, data from numerous different software programs was linked together, enabling users to review, save, and share a robust amount of information, and giving rise to the genealogy technology industry as we know it today.

Locating an ancestral family home can involve intricate research and lead to surprising results. Betty Jean began researching a man she thought might be the brother of an ancestor and discovered he had fought in the Civil War,



One of the pleasures of studying family history is collecting old photos and other mementos.

but hesitated to spend the money for his pension record. When she finally ordered the packet, she received a document that was an inch thick, as the man had applied and been turned down for his annuity numerous times. The documents did, however, verify his relation to Betty Jean, and provided additional information which led her to search other types of records. Betty Jean's hunt for further details ultimately led her to the discovery of relatives living in Germany.

"The Internet only accounts for ten percent of the information," says Betty Jean. "You still have to do physical visits." Visits could be as simple as a trip to your local library, so they may take you on unexpected journeys. Through an Internet query, Betty Jean found and shared information with a distant cousin online. The two met for the first time at the Stuttgart airport, then proceeded together to the village of Erlaheim. There, unable to locate anyone at the local church or priest's residence, they stopped to talk to a couple working in their garage. Betty and her cousin spoke no German, and the couple spoke little English, but the couple's surname was the one they were looking for. An English speaking couple, called in to translate, hosted a party attended by the entire village, whereupon Betty and



her cousin determined they were probably related to most of the village. Fourteen years later, they are all still in contact.

Just as it can produce surprising and exciting discoveries, investigating one's own family history can also be a frustrating hobby, as researchers attempt to connect the dots between decades of evidence. For years, Bonnie believed that the couple listed as living next door to her third great grandmother, Susanna Margaret Wierman, might have been Susanna's parents. However, her only sources for this information were the 1840 and 1850 censuses, leaving Bonnie struggling to verify Susanna's

relationship to the couple in question. Some time later, while doing research at a library in Ohio, Bonnie discovered that Samuel Gardner Wierman – her great grandmother's next door neighbor – had deeded a parcel of land to a Mrs. Susanna Smith. Though helpful, the deed did not specify that Susanna was Samuel's daughter, and could not provide Bonnie with the conclusive evidence she needed. "Then," says Bonnie, "I did something we should all do routinely - I looked Samuel up on Find-A-Grave." She emailed the site's administrator, Jim Wierman, who sent her copies of the Bible records naming Susanna as the daughter, and listing her husband John Smith and their first four children. However, because Susanna had been born when her family was en route to Ohio from Pennsylvania, there was no record of her birth in either state, taking Bonnie back to square one. "Don't give up," Bonnie adds – she hasn't.

In addition to research, many ancestral discoveries are made with the help of others who share an interest in genealogical histories. Sarah Christiansen, who maintains the SIG's web page, received an email through her own website from a previously unknown third cousin twice removed in Poland.

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In addition to the monthly Genealogy SIG meetings, there are three support group meetings each month (see sidebar, below) offering help to anyone with an interest in studying their ancestry.

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The cousin provided her with the names of their common ancestors and how she is descended from them. When Sarah announced her good fortune in being contacted because of her website, someone asked about the site. Sarah published its link, and soon thereafter, another person accessed her “Help Solve Mysteries” section with information on a similar story in her husband’s family.

Recently, advances in medical technology have made tracing one’s genetic heritage as easy as moistening a cotton swab with saliva, allowing descendants to take a break from the traditional paper trail and consider a biology-based look at their ancestry. There are three types of DNA tests available for use in genealogical research: Y-DNA, autosomal, and mitochondrial. The Y-DNA test follows the direct paternal line. Because only men carry the Y chromosome, women are not included in this test. Autosomal testing looks at a mixture of both maternal and paternal DNA, and is

unique to each person. Though this test is available to both men and women, the challenge is to determine whether an individual’s genetic profile matches to someone in the maternal or the paternal line. The third type of test, mitochondrial, traces direct maternal lineage. This line consists entirely of women, although both men and women have their mother’s mtDNA. A challenge with this test is that the female’s surname changes with each marriage, though it can provide researchers with a very robust ancestral picture when coupled with traditional document research.

Although Betty Fowler’s DNA test results were completed in July 2012, one of her biggest thrills came in April of 2013, when she received an email from a woman who had just received the results of her own test. A comparison of their genealogy research pointed them to a common ancestor, their great grandfather. When Betty mentioned through email exchanges that she had only one very faded photo of this ancestor,

she received digital copies of two photos she would never have seen otherwise. “We never know who might have inherited a family Bible or photos, or who might have information that would further our research,” Betty says, “and DNA testing for genealogy continues to provide new opportunities as more and more people are testing.”

Genealogy SIG Meetings

3rd Thursday / Atrium / 10 a.m.

Support Group Meetings

Family Tree Maker Support

4th Tuesday / Annex / 10 a.m.

Legacy Support

1st Wednesday / Annex / 10 a.m.

DNA Support

2nd Wednesday / Annex

9 a.m. (people new to DNA)

10 a.m. (people who have tested)

March Tips for a Beautiful Water Wise Landscape

By Winola VanArtsdalen

It's springtime in our hearts (regardless of the temperature), so let's roll up our sleeves, sharpen our tools, dust off our sun hats, and get ready to get to work! As always, remember to avoid digging or walking on wet soil, as this will cause compaction.

Replacing turf with a drought tolerant bed will save you money on your water bill and reduce lawn maintenance. Prepare for the switch with a soil test, which will help determine the best treatment plan for your landscape. For many landscapes in our area, organic amendments are the key to improving moisture retention and providing essential nutrients. A good example of organic amendments in action can be found in the Master Gardener Earth-Kind rose bed at the Texas A&M AgriLIFE Extension. Planted with organic soil additives several years ago, the only maintenance it requires is replenishment of organic mulch and trimming in the spring – no additional fertilizer or use of any chemical required. In addition to healthy soil, putting the right plants in the right places will get your beautiful, drought-tolerant landscape off to the right start. Plants which are native or adapted to this area will be healthier for you and the environment, while also requiring less maintenance. To aid in your plant choices, the Sun City Garden Club has prepared a notebook titled, *What Grows Here*, obtainable at both the Texas Drive and Cowan Creek Monitors' Desks. Additionally, the *Grow Green* book, *Native and Adapted Landscape Plants of Central Texas* by the Texas AgriLIFE Extension and City of Austin is available for purchase from the Member Services Office.

March and early April are prime time for garden shows, gardening classes and plant sales! Take advantage of these opportunities, as well as the Sun City

Garden Club monthly meetings, for fresh plants and information to enhance your landscape.

The following plant sales will have experienced gardeners available to help you with selection:

- Sun City Horticulture Club Sale: Saturday, March 21, Sun City Boulevard
- Williamson County Master Gardeners Plant Sale: Saturday, March 28, Texas AgriLIFE Extension, 3151 Inner Loop, Georgetown, TX, 78626

Ample water wise gardening ideas will be available during the Sun City Garden Tour, taking place Saturday, May 2 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Sunday, May 4, from noon to 3 p.m. Advance ticket sales will begin online at www.sctexas.org on March 2, under Buy Tickets.

MARCH GARDENING TIPS

- The average last date for frost in our area will be March 15.
- Avoid wounds on oak trees February through June. Beetles carrying a fungus are most active in periods of mild temperature.
- Divide summer and fall-blooming perennials when new shoots are about 3" tall.
- To encourage bushier, branching growth from high-growing herbaceous perennials, pinch back the leading shoot tips. Do this at least a month before flowering to reduce the plant's ultimate height by as much as a quarter.
- Top dress bulbs with compost to ensure good blooms next year. Remove spent flowers, but leave foliage until it dies back so bulbs can store enough energy to bloom next year.
- **Turf:** Aerate when soil is moist (but not wet) with a machine that removes plugs. Aerating followed by top dressing of compost allows some of the compost to filter into holes, amending soil texture. You can hire a contractor



Winola is a Williamson County Master Gardener, a member of the Sun City Garden Club and a member of the Sun City Water Wise Task Force.

Master Gardeners and other experienced gardeners are available to answer questions a half hour before Sun City Garden Club meetings each month. The Garden Club meets the second Wednesday of each month beginning with the question/answer period at 12:30 p.m.

or get together with neighbors to rent an aerator.

- Do not fertilize until after second mowing of grass.
- Fertilize Bermuda and St. Augustine in late March to early April. Buffalo and Zoysia should be fertilized in late April to early May. If you use top dressing, skip fertilization, as this would provide too much nitrogen. Over-fertilization causes more leaf growth and less root growth, making plants more susceptible to drought.

Source: Texas A&M AgriLIFE Extension Service

Horticulture Questions:

Contact Williamson County AgriLIFE Extension Office at 512-943-3300

Pace of Play: It could be you IF...

Submitted by the Golf Committee

As we move full speed into the spring and summer golf season, it becomes time to extend a reminder for all of us to be mindful of our speed on the course. The following is an informative and humorous approach to the subject of "pace of play," originally created by Betty Ann Preston, former chairperson of the Sun City Golf Committee and current president of WGA-9 Hole Club.

Well, it's that time of year again. Time for the annual reminder of Pace of Play and time for the annual "eye roll" because you don't think it pertains to you. In the past, some members have even said that it *couldn't* be them! "It's all the new folks."

Well, here's a little test.

It could be you IF:

- You didn't arrive at the first tee at least five minutes before your scheduled tee time
- All four of you weren't standing "at the ready" on the tee box
- The ball wasn't in the air on your appointed tee time
- You sat in the cart while everyone teed off and then sauntered out to hit your ball
- Even worse, you and your cart buddy just had to finish your conversation before you removed your head covers and sauntered out to hit your ball
- You didn't hit a provisional when you knew the first ball disappeared somewhere in the rough, then took five to ten minutes looking for the \$1.89 golf ball and **THEN** had to drive back to the original spot to hit another
- You joined in the search for a "lost" ball **BEFORE** you proceeded to your ball for your shot

- You didn't park your cart between your ball and your partner's ball with each player walking to their ball and back to the cart for play to continue
- **You sat in the cart talking instead of getting ready to hit your ball**
- You didn't walk back to the cart after your shot, but waited to be picked up
- You didn't take a variety of clubs when you got dropped off and had to walk to the cart or, worse, you waited for the cart to come back to you so you could change clubs
- **YOU DID NOT PLAY "READY GOLF"**
- **You sat in the cart talking instead of getting ready to hit your ball**
- You had to replace your head covers after every shot before you started your cart
- You had to check, double check and triple check your GPS and still didn't bring the proper club with you so you have to wait/walk back to the cart to get it
- **You sat in the cart talking instead of getting ready to hit your ball**
- You didn't see where your partner's shot landed to help him/her locate their ball
- You didn't help a partner whose ball landed in the sand by securing a rake for him/her or by raking while he/she proceeds to move their ball down the course to catch up with the group
- You sat in the cart after you finished a hole and just had to write everyone's score down **BEFORE** moving on to the next tee box
- You didn't encourage others to "pick up the pace"

• YOU TOOK LONGER THAN 2 HOURS 15 MINUTES TO FINISH YOUR ROUND

At one time or another, we have all fallen victim to some of these behaviors, slowing down our pace of play. So for 2015, let's all focus on speeding up our play and achieving what all of us want on the golf course... **HAVING FUN!** Have a fun-filled (and **FAST**) time on our courses in 2015!

Golf 101 and 201 Classes

Submitted by Erik Beyer, PGA, Head Golf Professional, Legacy Hills

March marks the beginning of the transition from cold to warmer weather, and with that comes our Golf 101 and 201 classes. The Golf 101 class is offered to beginner golfers, those with minimal experience, and/or former players who may have experienced a significant layoff. The class covers all of the basics to the golf swing, and includes a number of rules and etiquette related topics.

The Golf 201 Class provides more advanced instruction and builds upon the topics covered in Golf 101. Golf 101 topics are reinforced while providing more advanced, situational instruction. If you are a former Golf 101 student or a golfer with a solid understanding of the basics, then Golf 201 is for you!

If you are interested in either of these classes, please contact a member of the Golf Professional Staff. You may also find class times listed in the Golf Communicator.



MGA News

Submitted by Jeff Morgan President, MGA Board of Directors

Contact: 512-591-7050 or jsmorgan815@gmail.com

The first of five major MGA tournaments – The Spring Member-Member - will take place on March 25 and 26. We expect a full field of close to 300 players. Be sure to sign up electronically through the MGA website, under Members. Participants registering as individuals will be paired with another member by the pro staff. One of the MGA Board's primary goals is to support pace of play for the 120+ tournaments and Play Days scheduled for 2015. The objective for each of these competitive rounds is to play in 4 hours and 10 minutes or less.

The key elements to sustaining a successful pace of play are as follows:

1. The Player: Focused and ready to hit his next shot following the previous player.

2. The Group: Supports one another's readiness and works together to keep the group in position.
3. The MGA: Selects appropriate games, continues pace of play emphasis and keeps members informed on ways to reduce slow play.
4. The Pro Staff: Works with the MGA to assemble foursomes, marshals support, provides event-appropriate course set-ups and advises the MGA on ways to improve pace of play.

While achieving the MGA pace of play objective can sometimes be affected by weather and large tournament participation, there is no better feeling in golf than walking off the course with a good score and playing with a minimum of wait time. Thank you to everyone - we appreciate your efforts!



Date	Name	Witnesses	Hole	Shot
LEGACY HILLS				
01.24	Susan Schroeder	Pam Scoma, Cathy Reichert	2	Eagle
01.29	Mike Wilson	Mike Shelly, Terry Swets, Mick Finley	9	Eagle
01.30	Bob Bacon	John Viers, John Giles, Pat Sweeney	1	Eagle
WHITE WING				
12.08	Steve Bly	John Steelman, Oliver Gee	9	Eagle
12.26	Nelson Stubblefield	Immell, Meyers, Woods	SHOT AGE OF 78	
01.29	Gary McCarthy	Roger Parker, Bruce Keaton, Frank Wooford	Ace 135 yds 8 Iron	
01.30	Jim Hoverson	Don Neff, Mitch Hayes, Mike Kondelis	6	Eagle
COWAN CREEK				
01.19	Nelson Stubblefield	Bill Harrah, Cliff McCrummen, B. Jones	SHOT 76 AGE OF 78	
01.20	Bob Kemp	Fred Fife, Lonny White, Greg Sprawka	4	Eagle



MGA Board Meeting Monday, March 2, 2 p.m., AC

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WGA 18-Hole Group *Submitted by Bonnie Beauchamp*

The golf season is now in full swing and the weather is beginning to cooperate, much to our entire membership's joy. Our next general membership meeting will be after play day on April 7. All members are encouraged to attend, and new members are always welcome. Terri Pender, our club president for 2015, has even established an email address just for our membership to encourage communication, stating, "Emails containing positive, creative and constructive ideas are always welcome and will be addressed at Board and membership meetings." Please feel free to communicate with your new Board via SCTXWGA18@gmail.com.

Our first tournament of the season will be the Eclectic Tournament (always a member favorite), taking place on April 13 and 14. A social will follow on the last day of the tournament. Please refer to our club website for more details as they become available. The listing of the remaining club tournaments will be posted on our website and will be in the April issue of *Sun Rays*.

Membership dues are \$50 annually and the optional Hole-in-One Club is \$5

WGA 9-Hole Group *Submitted by Kempa Rider*

We were really busy in 2014! The Golf Ambassadors program was started, all members received a laminated rules/penalty card for their golf bag, time tracking cards were implemented to monitor pace of play, our first Sun Bowl sponsors were secured, and we provided treats to the MGA for their Member-Member Tournament. Our By-Laws were revised, position responsibilities for each task force and elected office were composed and we even established a club philosophy – to have fun, maintain pace of play, have fun, know the rules and have fun!

Sylvia Quillin, our tournament director, is getting creative. Those in attendance at January's general meeting provided her with the go-ahead to change things a bit on our play days. Each month there will be one scramble, one pre-announced game and two days when players play their typical game. At the end of the

annually. You may join our club at the Member Services Office or by accessing the Sun City Texas website. If paying at the Member Services Office, you may pay by check, cash or credit card. Make check payable to the SCTXCA with 18-Hole SCTWGA on the memo line. To apply online, log in to the Sun City Texas website, click on Clubs & Neighborhoods, click on Club Membership Dues and then follow the prompts.

A GHIN number and a handicap are required in order to participate on play days. A GHIN fee of \$27 is payable at any golf shop or at the Member Services Office and is prorated monthly. Play days are on Tuesday mornings.

You will be contacted by Paula Mockenhaupt, our Membership Chair, after the following Wednesday to welcome you to the 18-Hole SCTWGA and assist you in beginning play. Paula has business cards available at all three Golf Shops, as well as at the Member Services Office. If you need information prior to her call, she may be reached at 512-240-4273 or pj143mac@gmail.com.

round, the tournament director will randomly select a game which will tell her how to add the scores to determine who wins sweeps that week. If a pre-announced game pops up when you register for a Tuesday round, you can go to our website and read about that game. During the meeting it was also decided we would play from the red tees at Legacy Hills a couple of times a year. This will certainly require a change of club selection and an extra element of skill and challenge but sure to be fun!

The Sun Bowl committees have been established and are working hard to ensure another successful May event. Our next general meeting will be March 10 at 11 a.m. at Cowan Creek. We continue to welcome new members. Those interested in hearing more about our group may attend one of the new resident meetings held each month in the ballroom or access the WGA 9 website.

CGA News

Submitted by Beth Lampman, CGA Communication Director

The Couples Golf Association has two play days this month. The schedule is as follows:

- Saturday, March 7 at Cowan Creek, 1 p.m. Shotgun
Game: Divorce Court (one couple)
- Saturday, March 28 at White Wing, 1 p.m. Shotgun
Game: Red, White & Blue (two couples)

To sign up for membership, visit www.sctexas.org > Clubs & Neighborhoods > Chartered Clubs > Golf, CGA. Come both days and let's play!

MARCH PLAY SCHEDULES



CGA

- 3/7 1 pm, CC
- 3/28 1 pm, WW

WGA 9-HOLE

- 3/3 1 pm, LH-F
- 3/10 1 pm, CC-F
11 am Meeting, CCJ
- 3/17 1 pm, LH-B
- 3/24 1 pm, WW-B
- 3/31 1 pm, LH-F

WGA 18-HOLE

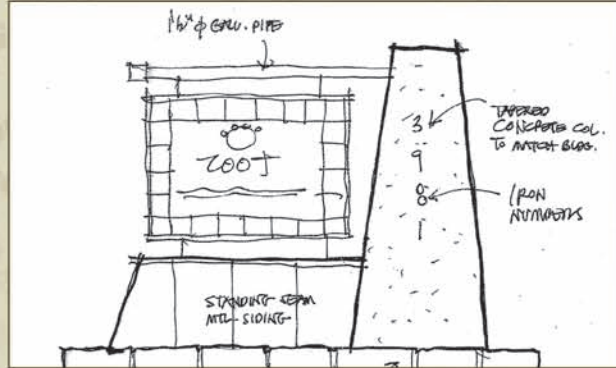
- 3/3 8 am, CC
12:30 pm Meeting, CCJ
- 3/10 8 am, LH
- 3/17 8 am, WW
- 3/24 8 am, LH
- 3/31 8 am, WW

MGA 9-HOLE

- 3/4 WW-F
- 3/11 WW-B
- 3/18 WW-F
- 3/25 Spring Member/Member
WW-F
- 3/26 WW-B
Awards Luncheon SCB

MGA 18-HOLE

- 3/4 LH
- 3/11 CC
- 3/18 CC
- 3/25 Spring Member/Member
CC & LH
- 3/26 Awards Luncheon SCB



The Story Behind Our 'Crown-Paw' Logo

In the Fall of 2006, Zoot Pet Hospital + Luxury Boarding was only an idea that had existed inside two people's heads. Around that time, Jim Root and Dr. Wayne Zeh -- friends since childhood -- were finally ready to bring their idea to life. They began putting their plans of a first-class veterinary clinic with suite-style boarding into motion.



Jim and Dr. Zeh with UT students

After extensive research of markets and cities across Texas, they determined that the northern Austin community of Georgetown was the place to set up their pet hospital.

With Jim's corporate background in marketing and sales, he knew their new clinic would need to quickly make a big splash in the community to attract pet owners. Jim decided to seek out excellent advertising help, just down the road -- at The University of Texas at Austin, whose Advertising program is ranked No. 1 in the country. And since Wayne went to UT for undergrad, he knew first-hand that they would get to work with some of the best.

Jim contacted Sean Thompson, an advertising professional and Senior Lecturer at UT with many years of experience in the industry. Sean took the "Zoot project" to a classroom of students. Their objective? Build the Zoot brand that would strongly resonate with the Georgetown community and attract new clients.

The students delivered outstanding results, living up to the UT Advertising program's top reputation. Zoot Hospital + Luxury Boarding needed an elegant logo that conveyed both the "pet" and the "luxury" together. Thus, a crown was drawn into a dog's pawprint. This logo, along with the warm color palette the students chose, created a brand identity that made an instant emotional connection with pet owners. The Zoot brand has been loved by area residents ever since!



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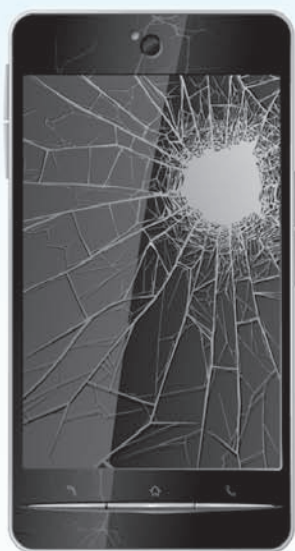
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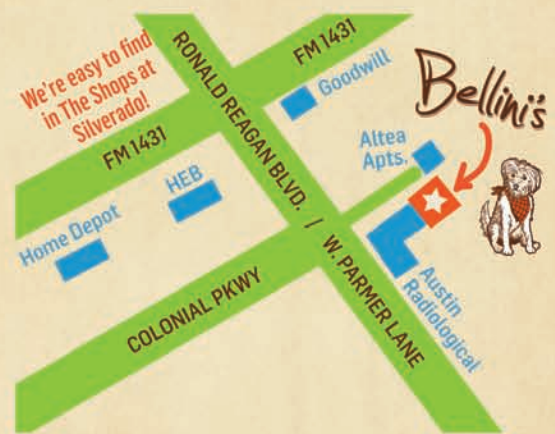
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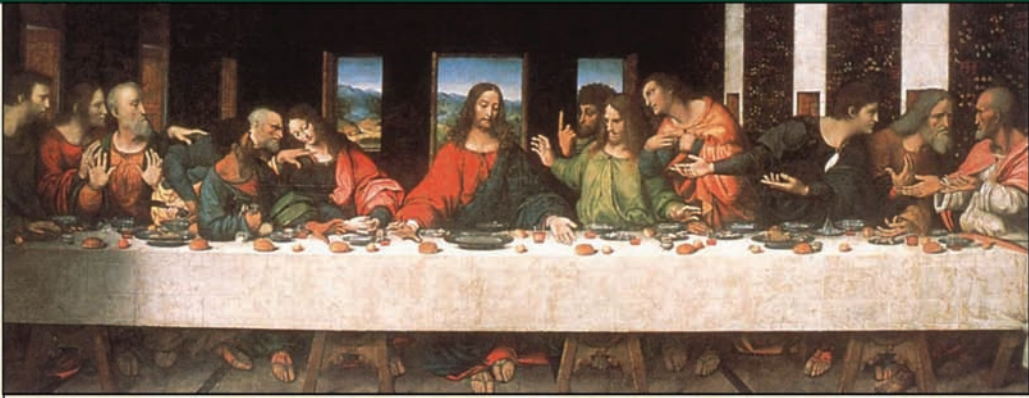
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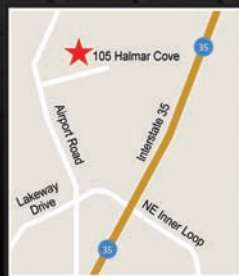


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PHOTOS BY DOUG FARRELL

Nightscape photographer Doug Farrell found the wilderness of northwestern Wyoming the perfect place to capture the core of the Milky Way galaxy.

On March 23, 1840, just one year after news of the daguerreotype reached America, chemist John William Draper positioned himself on the roof of New York University and took the first successful photograph of a celestial object: the moon. Draper's image (an impressive one, even by today's standards) ignited a flurry of interest in the astronomical possibilities of photography, and scientists, hungry for ever-more detailed images, became a driving force in the rapid advancement of camera technology. However, as astronomers turned their camera lenses ever-deeper into the universe, our ability to view the night sky unimpeded has diminished. Over the

years, the yellow haze of artificial light has become so commonplace that, for many, the standard night sky resembles an unplugged television, the former brilliance of distant galaxies blotted out by a fog of light. Here in Sun City, one photographer is determined to recapture some of the wonders that lie beyond our modern, incandescent veil.

"I'd always had an interest in astronomy, but I just never had the time," says Doug Farrell, a former engineer and computer programmer. "You can't really stay out late at night when you have to get up for work at four in the morning."

However, Doug knew he wanted to make the most of his time in retirement, and

began developing a plan to follow his passions. "A couple years before I retired," he recalls, "I started to consider how I was going to focus my time." A casual photographer all his life, Doug buckled down on teaching himself the core concepts of the craft, reading books, attending workshops and seminars, and taking all the pictures he could to improve his general photo skills.

As his technique improved, his subject material became more particular. "There's so much to learn in every area, it really helps to focus on what speaks to you," says Doug. "I like to get out and shoot landscapes and wildlife, so I'm what you'd call a 'nature photographer'.

Right: Photographer Doug Farrell

But even then, you're constantly discovering new things – it's a lifetime of learning, but that's one of the things I love about it."

Last July, Doug learned of a workshop that would allow him to combine his interest in astronomy with his photography practice, and jumped at the opportunity. Bracing himself for several long, sleepless nights, he gathered his gear and trekked out to the Grand Tetons National Park, lens aimed towards the sky.

Darkness is essential for nighttime photography, and out in the Wyoming wilderness, Doug found plenty of it. "When you're trying to capture starlight, patience is essential," he says. "Patience – and planning." When attempting to capture the core of the Milky Way (the galaxy's brightest portion), Doug had only a brief window of time before the rotation of the Earth would ruin his optimal shot. Weather, moonlight, even the time of year – these too can all have an impact on what can be seen in the night sky.

Of course, the darkness can work against you, too. Doug's images typically require a minimum exposure time of thirty seconds to capture the starlight. Sometimes, depending on what is being photographed, exposures can even be hours long, capturing the subtle movement of the horizon as it drifts overhead. Such long exposures make his camera extremely sensitive to light – even too much moonlight could blow out an entire photograph. "It helps to be away from people," says Doug, who once had a shot unexpectedly illuminated by the headlights of a passing car. Laughing, he adds, "It's not always that easy."

Back in Central Texas, the glittering intensity of the Milky Way disappears behind the glow of civilization. For Doug, however, the vast wonders of space are never too far away. Advances in technology have obscured the night sky our ancestors once knew, but it is also through technology that we are able to capture, observe, and understand our universe better than we ever have before. Now free to observe the night sky as he never could during his working years, Doug says he relishes the freedom to indulge in his passions and the ability to share his discoveries with others. Doug recalls an evening when his granddaughter joined him with his telescope. As she gazed through the scope, he directed her toward a particular point in the sky. Doug smiles as he tells the story. "I said, 'See that cluster of stars? That's twenty million light years away.'" Laughing, he asks, "Can you imagine something being that far away? Twenty million. For us to be able to see something like that, even for a moment, is unimaginable. But it's there, and tomorrow it will be there again, and that's amazing."

If you don't have a telescope, you can view the universe through Doug's eyes at the Round Rock Area Arts Council's seventh annual Imagine event, where three of his photographs will be on display through spring.



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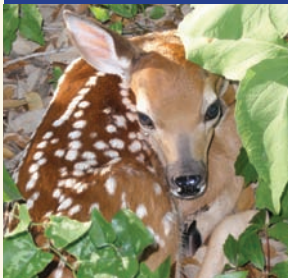


T.A. Moulton barns illuminated by moonlight, Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming.

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11	<p>News & Views (see 3/9) 9am, Noon, & 4pm</p> <p>Communications 9:30am / CCAN</p> <p>Matt Barber - Easy Listening 7pm / SCB</p>	12	<p>News & Views (see 3/9) 9am, Noon, & 4pm</p> <p>Wildlife Committee Town Hall 9:30am / SCB</p> <p>Estate Planning Workshop 9:30am / CCAN</p> <p>Republicans 6pm / SCB</p>	13	<p>News & Views (see 3/9) 9am, Noon, & 4pm</p> <p>Emergency Management 9am / AC MR 3/4</p> <p>Sit-n-be-Fit 10am & 2 pm</p>	14	<p>News & Views (see 3/9) 9am, Noon, & 4pm</p> <p>Sit-n-be-Fit 10am & 2 pm</p>
18	<p>Texas History - Gonzales Depart SCPL 7:30am</p> <p>News & Views (see 3/16) 9am, Noon, & 4pm</p> <p>Neighborhood Reps 9:30am / CCF/G</p> <p>Yale's Society of Orpheus and Bacchus - A Capella Performance 7pm / SCB</p>	19	<p>Modifications 8:30am / CCAN</p> <p>News & Views (see 3/16) 9am, Noon, & 4pm</p> <p>Elections 9am / CCS</p>	20	<p>Spring Vendor Fair 9am - 2pm / SCB & SCPL</p> <p>News & Views (see 3/16) 9am, Noon, & 4pm</p> <p>Sit-n-be-Fit 10am & 2 pm</p> <p>Third Friday International 1pm / ACA</p>	21	<p>Texas Concealed Handgun License Class 8am / CCAN</p> <p>AARP Smart Driver Course 8:30am / CCW</p> <p>Horticulture Club Plant Sale 9am-1pm / Sun City Gardens</p> <p>News & Views (see 3/16) 9am, Noon, & 4pm</p> <p>Democrats 9:30am / SCB</p> <p>Sit-n-be-Fit 10am & 2 pm</p>
25	<p>News & Views (see 3/23) 9am, Noon, & 4pm</p> <p>Leg Pain Seminar Noon / CCF</p> <p>Jersey Boys Depart SCPL 4:30pm</p> <p>Movie: Bernie 6pm / SCB</p>	26	<p>News & Views (see 3/23) 9am, Noon, & 4pm</p> <p>Mason, Texas Historic Tour Depart SCPL 8am</p> <p>Houston Overnight Depart SCPL 9am</p>	27	<p>News & Views (see 3/23) 9am, Noon, & 4pm</p> <p>Sit-n-be-Fit 10am & 2 pm</p> <p>Somewhere in Texas Dance 7pm / SCB</p>	28	<p>News & Views (see 3/23) 9am, Noon, & 4pm</p> <p>Sit-n-be-Fit 10am & 2 pm</p>

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March Activities

Educational

Texas Concealed Handgun License Class

Saturday, March 21, 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., CCAN with shooting at 2:30 p.m.

Hosted by: Resident Ron Gaddy, NRA Pistol Instructor, rongaddy22@gmail.com
Effective September 1, 2013 NEW LAWS and a shorter class time.

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Please call Ron Gaddy 512-750-8877 to register for this class and for information about BASIC PISTOL instruction.

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- Range Safety Officer

Be Prepared: Know Your Veteran's Burial Benefits

Tuesday, March 24, 11 a.m. OR 4 p.m., CCAN

Hosted By: Cook-Walden Funeral Homes & Cemeteries
Purchase your \$1 ticket online or at the Member Services Office.

Cook-Walden Funeral Homes & Cemeteries takes their commitment to providing exceptional service very seriously. That includes educating veterans on all the burial benefits offered by the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs (VA) so veterans and their spouses will know the facts when making funeral and cemetery arrangements.

Conducted by trained, experienced funeral professionals, this free "lunch & learn" event will be filled with essential funeral and burial information for veterans and their spouses. Participants will not only learn about the burial benefits offered by the VA, but also the benefits offered by Cook-Walden to members of the VFW and American Legion and the importance of making funeral and cemetery arrangements in advance. There will be details on everything from cremation and memorial services to travel protection and transferability within Dignity Memorial. Join Cook-Walden, as the conversation continues at the next "dine and discuss" events in Sun City on March 24th, at 11a.m. and 4 p.m. The mood will be light with a gift card giveaway and a complimentary meal will be provided. Friends and family are welcome, however, seating is limited, so please reserve your spot.

Seminar Contact: Valencia at: (737) 932-5525

Financial

The Truth about Estate Planning Workshop

Thursday, March 12, 9:30 a.m., CCAN

Hosted by: The Wiewel Law Firm

Purchase your \$1 ticket online or at the Member Services Office.

Presented by Brad Wiewel, JD, Board Certified, Estate Planning and Probate Law, Texas Board of Legal Specialization; and Doug Paul, JD, MBA, Director of Advanced Planning Strategies at The Wiewel Law Firm.

Learn the truth about:

- Who will care for *me* if I can't do it?
- Are *trusts* always better than *wills*?
- Do *out-of-state* documents work in Texas?
- *Remarriage* - protecting your estate
- *Divorce-proofing* your kids' inheritance
- *Community property* and new Texas residents
- Are *death taxes* dead?
- How to *lawsuit-protect* your assets
- Is your estate plan *up-to-date*?

We look forward to seeing you there. For more information, call our Georgetown office at 512-869-1435.

Estate Planning Basics & IRA/401K Seminar

Monday, March 23, 10 a.m.-noon, CCJ

Hosted by: The Greening Law Firm

Purchase your \$1 ticket online or at the Member Services Office.

10-11 a.m.: Estate Planning Basics – Wills, Trusts, and Probate

11 a.m.-noon: IRA/401K – Five Beneficiary Options, Including Retirement Fund Trusts

Presented by Ron Greening of The Greening Law Firm, P.C.

Our practice is limited to Estate Planning, Probate, Trust Administration, and Medicaid Planning

You are invited to join us to learn more about:

- Living Trusts - a powerful estate planning tool
- Wills - uses and misconceptions
- Probate - what it is, how it works, and how to avoid it
- Protecting your assets while reducing death taxes, attorney's fees, and other costs
- Living Wills and Powers of Attorney
- Five options you have for IRA/401K beneficiary: advantages and disadvantages of each
- Estate planning for IRAs and life insurance proceeds

Attendees will receive a Texas Estate Planning Basics book and the opportunity for a complimentary private consultation with attorney Ron Greening concerning their planning at our Georgetown office, 1601 Williams Drive at Rivery Blvd. Please call us at (512)931-0888 for more information.

Refreshments will be served.

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Health

The Real Source of Your Leg Pain

Wednesday, March 25, noon, CCF

Hosted by: Hamilton Vein Center – Round Rock

Purchase your \$1 ticket online or at the Member Services Office.

There are so many people suffering with leg pain because physicians often do not consider venous insufficiency – the backward flow of blood – as a possible source of the pain in their patients’ legs. And when the signs of venous insufficiency - feelings of achiness, heaviness, cramping and restless leg syndrome - are misconstrued for another ailment, “band-aid” treatments are prescribed that deal with surface symptoms, leaving the venous insufficiency unchecked and untreated. And that’s bad news for unknowing venous insufficiency sufferers because this medical condition can advance to where pain becomes more intense and manifest itself through ulcers, skin discoloration, edema or another debilitating condition.

Now the good news. If you’re having discomfort in your legs, a simple vein consultation can determine if venous insufficiency is present. Nearly 97% of people who are diagnosed and undergo a minimally invasive vein treatment procedure experience immediate relief of their symptoms with little to no down time.

To schedule a free consultation at Hamilton Vein Center, call 512.551.1403 or visit HamiltonVein.com

Estate Planning and Elder Law

March 31, 10 a.m., CCAN

Hosted by: Georgetown Living

Purchase your \$1 ticket online or at the Member Services Office.

Determining the proper avenues to pay for long-term care is critical to ensuring the best possible care for you and your loved one. However, navigating the landscape of public and private funding sources can be complicated and frustrating. In order to assist with the process, we will discuss the different long-term care options and how to pay for each. Topics such as: Medicaid, Medicare Supplement Insurance, and Long-Term Care Insurance will be covered. Charles E. Lance will go in-depth into how to prepare and protect your assets for generations to come. He will discuss trusts, wills, taxes and configuring assets to pass outside of probate.

Charles E. Lance, J.D. is the founder and owner of Lance Elder Law and the Law Office of Charles E. Lance. He is a former District Attorney and Retired District Judge with over 43 years of legal experience. Char Hu, PhD is co-founder of Georgetown Living, a family of dementia-specific long-term care companies. Char is a former scientist whose previous research had implications for the understanding of Alzheimer’s disease.

For more information contact Margo Hays: (512) 639-1238 or email at margo@gtownliving.com. Visit www.gtownliving.com for more information.

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September 8-17, 2015

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Colors of New England (Collette)

October 12 - 19, 2015

\$3,199 pp dbl occ; \$4,249 pp single occ

Highlights: Boston, Woodstock, Quechee Gorge, Stowe, Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory, Rocks Estate, North Conway, Lake Winnepesaukee Cruise, Kancamagus Highway, Boothbay Harbor, Lobster Dinner.

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October 20 - November 6, 2015

\$7,499 pp dbl occ; \$8,799 single occ - Carins, Great Barrier Reef, Sydney, Sydney Opera House, Auckland, Rotorua, Christchurch, Mount Cook National Park, Queenstown, Milford Sound, Arrowtown.

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(Central Holidays)

October 23-31, 2015

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(Central Holidays)

November 1 - 9, 2015

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Classic Christmas Markets (Collette)

December 6-14, 2015

\$3,459 pp dbl occ, \$3,659 single occ - Highlights: Black Forest, Strasbough, Wurzburg, Fanconia Region, Nuremberg, Neuchwanstein Castle, Innsbruck, Munich, Christmas Markets.

Winter in Yellowstone (Collette)

January 10 - 16, 2016

\$3,999 pp dbl occ, \$4,899 single occ - Highlights: Jackson Hole, Sleigh Ride in Elk Refuge, Grand Tetons, Yellowstone National Park, Old Faithful, Fountain Painted Pots, Lamar Valley.

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February 4 - 16, 2016

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The following special events are taking place in March.

AARP FREE TAX PREPARATION

AARP Tax-Aide Foundation offers income tax assistance to those 60 and older every Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. through April 10 at Cowan Creek Amenity Center. AARP membership is not required.

Please bring the following:

- Copy of last year's income tax return(s)
- W-2 forms from each employer
- Unemployment compensation statements
- SSA-1099 form if you were paid Social Security benefits
- All 1099 forms (1099-INT, 1099-DIV, 1099-B, etc.)
- 1099-misc. showing any miscellaneous income
- 1099-R form if you received a pension or annuity
- All forms indicating federal income tax paid
- All receipts or canceled checks if itemizing deductions
- Social Security cards or other official documentation for yourself and all dependents

GEORGETOWN HIGH SCHOOL BAND GARAGE SALE

The Georgetown High School Band will hold a garage sale fundraiser on Saturday, March 7 from 7:30 a.m. to noon in the Georgetown High School Music Building at 2211 N. Austin Avenue. Donations are needed and may be dropped off March 2-6 from 4-7 p.m. at the same location (look for the band truck).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO

Bingo will be held on Sunday, March 8 and Sunday, March 22 in the Social Center Ballroom. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., games begin at 6 p.m. Cash prizes will be awarded. All proceeds are used to support various charitable activities. **Please, no children under age 7.**

For information, contact Joe Mullen at joemullen@suddenlink.net or 512-864-0825.

GEORGETOWN SYMPHONY SOCIETY

The music of George Gershwin will highlight the Temple Symphony Orchestra's annual "Family Pops Concert" on Sunday, March 8, 4 p.m., in the GHS Klett Center for the Performing Arts. The orchestra will perform *An American in Paris* and will be joined by pianist Jeff Hellmer for the *Rhapsody in Blue*. Tickets (adults \$30 and \$25; students \$5) are available at the Member Services Office, through www.TicketBud.com, or at the door. More information at 512-864-9591 or www.gsstx.org.

SAN GABRIEL CHORALE

The San Gabriel Chorale, conducted by Dr. Bruce Cain, will present the local premiere performance of the oratorio, *Joshua*, by George Frideric Handel with orchestra and guest soloists. The event is scheduled for Thursday, March 12, at 7 p.m. in the Alma Thomas Theater of the Sarofim School of Fine Arts, Southwestern University Campus, Georgetown, Texas. Tickets can be purchased at the group website www.sangabrielchorale.com using Paypal or at the door the evening of the performance.

For more information, contact Bobbie Ann Fisher, SGC Publicity Chairperson, at 512-639-4459.

THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The Williamson County Genealogical Society's annual Seminar will be Saturday, March 21, at the First Methodist Church, 1004 N. Mays, Round Rock. Our guest speaker, George Morgan, will cover topics including Sidestep Genealogy, Bits about Obits: Reading Between the Lines, Genealogy Orienteering: Using Maps to Find the Right Place, and Finding Your



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GEORGETOWN QUILT AND STITCHERY SHOW

The Georgetown Quilt and Stitchery Show, "Lovely in Lavender," will be held on March 27 and 28, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Georgetown Community Center in San Gabriel Park, 445 E. Morrow Street, 78626. Admission is \$6. Featuring over 100 quilts and stitchery items, vendors, a raffle quilt, a tea room with homemade goodies, a silent auction and scissor sharpening. The show is a fundraiser for Handcrafts Unlimited, a non-profit retail store selling items made by senior citizens. For information, please visit www.handcraftsunlimited.com.

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If your organization has volunteer or charitable opportunities, contact Nancy Snow at the email above.



Flying Solo

By Mike Gullickson

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The Solos Club offers many opportunities for singles and couples to get together in group settings to socialize. See page 103 to view photos from the Solos' Midway Madness event.

The Solos are a club for everyone. Seeking friendly people? They have them in spades. Hankering for a diverse range of activities? Not a problem here. Just looking for some plain, old fun? The Solos have got you covered!

Now, despite the name, you should know that you don't need to be single to join. Solos is a chartered club, and everyone is welcome to come on by and have a good time. That's right: contrary to popular opinion, it is possible to be married and have a good time.

Solos is a particularly good group for those just settling into Sun City Texas, as it provides newcomers with a welcoming, laid-back environment in which you can meet friendly, established residents. It's a casual group and you'll find everyone is open and glad to see you.

For those considering the club, Solos offers a nice feature they call "Try Three for Free." This little perk allows potential members the opportunity to attend up to three different Solos functions before committing to a full-



fledged, dues-paying membership. And believe me, there are no shortage of events to choose from. There's the Thirsty Thursday outing which, oddly enough, takes place on Thursday nights. Daytrips are also a popular choice, and will take you every place you can think of in the Central Texas area. There is also bowling, golf, card games and over 18 SIGs, offering no shortage of

entertaining options for prospectives and members alike.

For more information, visit Solos online via the sctexas.org website. Why don't you give this club a try? Remember, you're invited to Try Three for Free, so there's nothing to lose! If you have any questions, contact Jack Mercer at 512-635-5583 or jwmercer@suddenlink.net.

Look what our Chartered Clubs are offering to the whole community this month!

VISUAL ARTS: Sunday, March 1, 2-5 p.m., ACA. All residents are invited to the VAC Meet the Artist and Reception. Enjoy demonstrations and light refreshments as you view the artwork.

GARDEN: Wednesday, March 11, 12:30 p.m., CCF/G. Guest speaker Catrin Dubois presents “Pruning Do’s and Don’ts.”

NATURE: Tuesday, March 17, 2:30 p.m., SCB. “Photographing Texas Outdoors” – Join guest Lee Hov for a photographic tour of Texas and its birds, butterflies and wildflowers. All are welcome.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE: Friday, March 20, 1 p.m., ACA. Third Friday International - Bill Thornton will speak about Myanmar. All are invited.

HORTICULTURE: The Horticulture Club will host the annual Spring Plant Sale on Saturday, March 21 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Community Garden, located at 141 Sun City Blvd. near the softball field.

Actors & Theatre Arts Guild

Business Meeting: Monday, March 2, 3 p.m., SCB

3rd Monday: March 16, 3 p.m., SCB

Board Meeting: March 30, 3-5:30 p.m., CCAN

Contact: Donna Sandercock
512-240-4530, grummpie@aol.com

The Actors and Theatre Arts Guild is a chartered club of over 200 talented, fun-loving people who love the smell of greasepaint and the roar of the crowd.

Each year, the club produces three main-stage plays, plus an annual Follies, in the ballroom. In addition, the club produces two smaller-venue plays in the Atrium.

Actors, directors, singers and dancers are not the only people important to the group. Those who labor at backstage, off-stage and non-stage assignments are equally valued. Set designers, set builders, costume designers, seamstresses, make up experts, lighting and sound technicians, advertising and marketing creators and illustrators, and those who create, acquire and move props and set decoration are all mandatory for successful productions.

The Guild meets on the first and third Monday of each month. On the first Monday, the Guild conducts a business meeting at 3 p.m. in the Social Center Ballroom. On the third Monday, we meet at the same time and place to enjoy and have fun with various activities. Come to any meeting and check us out. Membership is only \$12 per year.

Mad Hatters is AcTAG’s outreach to the community. Two troupes of six to eight members each wearing many colorful hats as they visit schools, pre-schools and Alzheimer’s groups to teach and entertain with animated fairy tales.

Alternative Healing & Wellness

Friday, March 6, 1 p.m., ACA

Contact: Doug Willoughby,
512-819-0133 or dougnjoan@gmail.com

The general meeting will be held on March 6 at 1 p.m. in the Activities Center Atrium. Our speaker will be Karen McIntosh, a health engineer and certified nutritionist specializing in bio-electric assessments intended to identify the body’s key stressors and nutritional needs. McIntosh will demonstrate how to utilize existing information to design individualized plans for health and wellness. Guests are always welcome at this meeting.

The **Wise Women Group** meets Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at 103 Montley Trail to discuss our spiritual journeys. Currently, the group is examining how our belief systems fit in with today’s culture, particularly with regards to violence, its causes, and how we might live with

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compassion. New members are welcome. For more information, call Mary Pat Morris at 512-869-8769.

The **Spirituality Anonymous Group** will meet Wednesday, March 18, at 7 p.m. at Cowan Creek. Reverend Cindy B. Wright, Unity Minister and author of the book, *Reel Transformation*, will be our guest speaker. Cindy's book details how certain films can help you get in touch with how you have been or are being called, as well as your wilderness experiences and awakening.

The **Qigong Exercise Group** meets Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8 a.m. in the Atrium, and will help you start your day with enhanced energy.

Additional information on meetings can be found on the club website at www.sctexas.org.

Amateur Radio Society (SCARS)

Wednesday, March 4, 7 p.m., CCF

Contact: Bob Frost, 682-667-6455

Calling all FCC-licensed ham radio operators, shortwave listeners (SWLs) and radio or scanning enthusiasts: The Sun City Amateur Radio Society (a.k.a. SCARS) wants you. You're invited! Join us at our get-togethers:

- First Wednesday monthly club meetings (January-November)
- Wednesday morning coffee and "tech-talk" group at City Market
- Second Saturday radio "Fox Hunt" direction-finding field event
- "Open-shack" operating sessions

Members' Benefits: Unique 24/7 access to SCARS' fully equipped ham shack with brand-new state-of-the-art HF/6m and software-defined (SDR) transceivers and dual-band VHF/UHF rig. In addition, SCARS maintains the 441.625 MHz. Sun City repeater (+ offset, pl tone 103.5) – open to any FCC-licensed amateur radio operator.

Public Service-Minded? SCARS members are available to assist Sun City and Georgetown fire and police personnel during local or regional emergencies, and help with local and county special event communications when additional radio resources

are needed. (When normal communication modes are down, ham radios still work and can contact outside resources – locally, regionally, and worldwide.)

Drop In! First Wednesday club meetings normally start at 6:30 p.m. with an informal meet & greet (an "eyeball QSO"). The formal business meeting starts at 7 p.m., topped off by a radio/tech presentation.

Aviation

Saturday, March 14, 8:30 a.m., ACA

Contact: Jeff Champion, 210-383-1459

Become a member of one of Sun City's first chartered clubs. Aviation brings folks together to reminisce about days when they, their friends and their colleagues were more actively involved in the industry. All are invited to visit. Membership is not limited to pilots, but to anyone with an interest in aircraft, aviation history or the aviation community. Dues are \$12 a year. Members meet on the second Saturday of each month at 8:30 a.m. for a social time of coffee and donut holes in the Atrium of the Activities Center.

Ballroom Dance

Monthly Dance

Wednesday, March 4, SCB

7-9:30 p.m.

Members free, Guests \$10

Tea Dance

Sunday, March 22, SCB

1:45-3:45 p.m.; social time 1:15-1:45 p.m.

Refreshments served

Members \$2, Guests \$5

Contact: John Moore at 303-956-

7646 or jjmoore@me.com

We host two regular dances each month: the monthly dance and the Sunday Tea Dance. Both dances feature recorded music for a wide range of dances, such as Foxtrot, Waltz, Rumba, Cha Cha, East and West Coast Swing, Bolero, Samba, Night Club Two Step, Tango, and Merengue.

Ice water, plastic glasses and napkins will be provided for the regular monthly dance, and you may bring your own special beverage. Tea (hot and iced) and light refreshments are provided during the Tea Dance one Sunday afternoon each month. Guests are encouraged to bring your own special teacup and mix and mingle with other members of the Ballroom Dance

Club. A third 'Social Dance' is scheduled every six weeks or so. **Guests are very welcome to these dances – please come and dance with us!**

Dance Classes: We offer a variety of dance classes for current Ballroom Dance Club (BDC) members on a regular basis. For more information, refer to the BDC web site, or contact Jean Ann Moore (Chair, Dance Instruction Committee) at moorejean15@gmail.com or 720-320-5942 (cell) / 512-943-4734 (home).

Membership is \$14 annually and covers admission to the monthly dances featuring recorded music. Dances featuring live bands may require an additional fee.

Billiards

Billiards Center Hours

Weekdays: 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Weekends: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Contact: Phillip Pensabene, 512-868-0103 or BilliardsClub@sctexas.org

This March, in honor of St. Patrick's Day, we have covered all the pool tables in green cloth. Just kidding! They're green all year long - you would know that if you came by and played pool more often. We look forward to seeing you there.

We are open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. on weekdays and 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on weekends. The Billiards Center is located adjacent to the Veteran's Memorial and Pickleball courts.

The Billiards Center is open to all Sun City residents. Monday night is Social Billiards, a great opportunity for ladies, couples and beginners to play with no competitive pressure. Drop in and have some fun.

For club members, we have an 8-ball tournament every Wednesday at noon and a 9-ball tournament at 5:30 p.m. on Thursdays. Members are also eligible for lessons, league play and periodic special billiard parties.

Our stereo system plays background music, the television shows financial news in the mornings and sports events other times. We are a wi-fi hotspot too!

Our players range from beginner to expert. Annual dues are \$11 per year. Applications are available in the Billiards Center or online at the Sun City website.

Bocce

Play: Monday to Saturday, 8 a.m. and 1 p.m., BC

Contact: Russ Ruff, 512-639-1419 or email: bocceruff@suddenlink.net, or visit the club's website.

New players and guests are always welcome to come and play the great game of bocce with us. Members play at 1 p.m. Monday through Saturday during the winter months, and are happy to teach the basics of the game to anyone interested. Membership dues for 2015 are \$12. Membership may be renewed or purchased through the SCTX online ticket system.

Five point frames are hard to come by, as once again no one was able to get more than four points in a frame. The first bocce special event of the year finished with these results: Esther Campos and Jerry Cross were the only players to win three games. A total of 24 players competed in the one day event. Congratulations to all.

Bocce Fact of the Month: Our equipment consists of nine balls. The smallest of these is called the pallino. It is rolled onto the court at the start of each frame and acts as the target. A set of four larger bocce balls, each weighing about two pounds, is rolled by each team in an effort to get as close to the pallino as possible. The scoring rules are posted on the bulletin board near the courts.

Computer

Cyber Center Hours: MFSa: 9 a.m. to Noon; TuWTh: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

www.sctxcompclub.org

Contact: clubofficial@sctxcompclub.org or 512-868-9780

Join us! Dues are \$8 for the first member of a household and \$4 for each additional household member. Come by the Cyber Center in the Activities Center to pay by check payable to SCTXCA. To pay by mail, download the application from our website under the *Join Us* tab, and mail it along with your check payable to SCTXCA, 2 Texas Drive, Georgetown, 78633. The Cyber Center is open Monday, Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon and on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

We offer:

- Informational Meetings
- Weekly Newsletter
- Special Interest Groups
- Free Wi-Fi
- Instructional Classes
- Computer HELP FORUM
- Computer HELP CENTER
- Computer Lab
- Media Conversion

Check out our website – its always current.

Country Western Dance

Friday, March 13, 7-10 p.m., SCB

Contact: Caroline Willingham, 512-876-5297 or cw101346@gmail.com or Bob Ticer, 512-868-9386 or rdticer@verizon.net

Monthly dances provide traditional country western dancing in the ballroom. Dances will have recorded music or a live band. Ice and water are provided. Please bring your own beverages and snacks. Membership is \$12 annually and covers admission to monthly recorded dances; additional fees may be charged for special events. To pay dues, go online to the Sun City website under Clubs & Neighborhoods, or deliver a check payable to SCTXCA to the Member Services Office. For the dance schedule, please go to the website.

For more information, contact Caroline Willingham or Bob Ticer.

Couples Golf Association

Contact: Rick Phillips, 512-818-3384 or randsphill66@gmail.com

This club was formed for the purpose of promoting golf among Sun City Texas couples who enjoy casual, competitive golf in a friendly and welcoming environment. Playdays are every third Saturday, rotating around the three Sun City Texas courses. We have three social events planned for the upcoming season. Refer to the website calendar for exact dates and locations.

The CGA has players of all skill levels, so you will always be improving your game or helping others improve theirs. Membership is only \$15 a year per individual. Join today and let's play!

See the Golf section of the *Sun Rays* for monthly CGA news.

Creative Clay & China

Studio hours: MWF 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; TuTh 1-8 p.m.; SaSu 1-4 p.m.

Studio Telephone: 512-948-7664

Board Meeting: Tuesday, March 3, 10 a.m. in the Studio

Contact: Jamie Haymes, President, 512-863-0396.

Come express your creativity with us! In our five-room studio, members create long-lasting, three-dimensional objects for practical use and visual beauty. Equipment, tools, glazes, brushes and clay are sold to members at cost. Dues are \$12 a year.

The studio is open daily. Members' creations are displayed in studio windows as well as on our website.

Come visit our studio behind the Fabric and Fiber Club and learn about ceramics, hand building, wheel throwing and china painting. Monitors will gladly guide you on a short tour and tell you about upcoming classes.

Ceramics: Existing forms, such as plates, bowls, vases, animals, Christmas trees and Santa Clauses can be painted and glazed to your own design.

Hand Building: For those who like to sculpt from scratch, red, white, low-fire and high-fire clays are available. When completed, objects are fired in one of five resident kilns that are operated by experienced members. Beginners' classes are held frequently.

Wheel Throwing: Wheel throwing is a unique skill. Six potter's wheels are available, and classes are held for both beginning and more experienced members.

China Painting: Create your own designs on china. One room and one kiln are designated for painted china objects, such as dishes and cups. Those interested in a beginning class in china painting should contact Dorothy Riddle, 512-864-0061, or Doris DeWitte, 512-869-1971.

Notice: Several new and exciting classes will be offered in the spring. Check for announcements and scheduling at the Studio.

Current Issues

Friday, March 20, CCG

Contact: Lou Snead, 512-350-4751 or PresidentSCCIC@gmail.com

Mission: The Current Issues Club provides a nonpartisan environment where a respectful exchange of ideas among members promotes discussion and a deeper understanding of current issues.

Program – Please check the club’s website via www.sctexas.org.

Day: Friday, March 20

Time: 9:45 a.m. check-in; 10-11:30 a.m. program

Place: Georgetown Room, CCAC

The club membership selects the topic from the current issues affecting the world, nation, Texas and/or Sun City.

Research: Members may delve into the facts and fiction of the month’s topic and prepare for discussions through the Research Committee. Volunteers explore the upcoming topics, post information on the club’s website and open each program with factual background for discussion.

Communication: Check the Sun City website for the club’s calendars, research and topics.

Courtesy: All points of view and political party affiliations are welcome. All participants are required to observe the adopted Courtesy Guidelines.

Small Discussions Groups: Friday, March 6, Cowan Creek Amenity Center. Groups begin at 9 a.m. and end by 11:30 a.m. Members come when they can to participate in less formal, small group discussions. Topics vary, including local issues, program follow-ups and program preparation.

Guests: Listeners are welcome. Guests are invited to observe the discussion. If time allows, guests may participate during the last 15 minutes. Please consider joining the club to participate in the discussions and gain access to the club’s research. Annual dues are \$6.

Dance & Drill

Contact: Marian Phillippi, President, 512-869-8145 or marianphillippi9@gmail.com

Sun City Georgettes: Mondays, Texas Drive Fitness Center, 10:15 a.m.; Begin-

ners on Wednesdays, Atrium, 10 a.m. Contact Marian Phillippi at 512-869-8145, or marianphillippi9@gmail.com.

Composed of a lively group of ladies who love to dance and perform around the Georgetown area. New members may join at the start of the Beginner Class, Wednesday, September 10.

Happy Feet Cloggers: Clogging is great fun, good exercise and helps reinforce memory skills.

Regular Classes: Fridays, 9:15 a.m. to 12:15p.m.

Beginner Classes: Fridays, 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Intermediate and Advanced Classes: Fridays, 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

All classes are held in the ACA. Contact Dorinda Williams at 512-656-2043 or williamsda@suddenlink.net for more information. We clog to various genres of music under the instruction of Terrie Gatton. Stop by to watch us practice on any Friday.

Tap Dancing:

Beginners: Wednesdays, 1 p.m.

Intermediate I: Wednesdays, 2 p.m.

Intermediate II: Wednesdays, 3 p.m.

Advanced: Thursdays, 4 p.m.

All classes are held at the ACA. Contact Marijean Schindler at 512-869-4857 or marijean.schindler@yahoo.com. Tapping is super exercise, fabulous fun and full of so many great people. No experience necessary!

2nd Chance Dance:

Thursdays, Men’s class, 1 p.m.; Beg./Int. class, 2 p.m.; Adv. class, 3 p.m., ACA. Contact Georgia Medler, georgiedave@suddenlink.net or 512-864-2131. The purpose of 2nd Chance Dance is to offer the opportunity of fitness and fun as you learn basic dance steps common to all forms of dance. Students will learn how to incorporate the basic steps into choreographed routines. Come try it out!

Dominoes & Table Games

Contact: Ben Cardinal, 512-240-4179 or mredbird@suddenlink.net

The increasingly popular Bid Euchre will join Traditional Euchre on Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

A Hand and Foot Canasta Tournament

is scheduled for a Friday night in April (TBD). Maximum 32 players. Cash prizes will be awarded.

Monday night Hand and Foot Canasta continues to draw crowds at 7 p.m. The game is also played on Sundays at 2 p.m. Beginners may get lessons (or *refreshers*) by appointment during the Sunday games – call Janet at 512-635-8206.

A reminder: dues are only \$6 per year and NOW is the time to pay 2015 dues, online or at the games.

Sundays

2 p.m. Hand and Foot Canasta, GR 3

Mondays

7 p.m. Hand and Foot Canasta, GR 3

Tuesdays

9 a.m. Cribbage, GR 3

9 a.m. Mah Jongg, GR 1 and 2

10 a.m. Mah Jongg lessons, GR 1 and 2

1 p.m. Dominoes 42 and 84, GR 1 and 2

7 p.m. Pinochle, GR 3

7 p.m. Rummikub GR 1 and 2

7 p.m. Sheepshead, GR 1 and 2

7 p.m. Backgammon, GR 3

Wednesdays

7 p.m. Liverpool Rummy, GR 3

7 p.m. Euchre, GR 1 and 2

7 p.m. Bid Euchre, GR1 and 2

Thursdays

1 p.m. Mah Jongg, GR 3

7 p.m. Dominoes 42 and 84, GR 3

Fridays

7 p.m. Mexican Train Dominoes, GR 1 and 2

7 p.m. Pegs and Jokers, GR 3

7 p.m. Five Hundred, GR 3

7 p.m. Your choice, GR 3

Saturdays

9 a.m. Cribbage, GR 1 and 2

1 p.m. Dominoes 42 and 84, GR 3

Duplicate Bridge

Contact: Paul Olstad, 512-639-8441

An annual renewing membership is \$10. We ask that you play three times before joining the club.

Monday

8:30-11:45 a.m.Non-sanctioned

12:30-4 p.m.Non-sanctioned

Wednesday

6:30-9 p.m.Non-sanctioned

Thursday

12:15-3:45 p.m.Non-sanctioned
 12:15-3:45 p.m.ACBL Sanctioned

Need a Partner? Call:

Monday morning and Wednesday evening (non-sanctioned)

Diane Cook-Lee, 512-868-2038 or dianecooklee@gmail.com

Monday and Thursday afternoons (non-sanctioned)

Sandy Althaus, sandyalthaus@mac.com or Barbara Jeppe, 512-591-7707

Thursday (ACBL sanctioned)

Dee Els, 512-864-0152

Bridge Lessons

For lesson information and class registration, visit the Duplicate Bridge Club website at www.sctexas.org, or contact Betsy Lidgley at 512-864-0745 or blidgley@verizon.net. Bridge Club membership is not required. Course cost is \$10 for eight weeks of lessons. Books are available for purchase. Classes will be held at Cowan Creek Amenity Center. Please check at the Monitor's Desk for class room.

2 Over 1, Game Force

Tuesdays 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

March 3-April 28

Bridge Basics 2, Competitive Bidding

Thursdays 9:30-11:30 a.m.

March 5-April 30

Ever wanted to learn to play bridge? SCDBC will present **Learn Bridge in A Day**, a popular five-hour national workshop that introduces new players to bridge and/or refreshes the minds of players who have had a long absence from the game. The free workshop will be Wednesday, April 8 from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Salado Room at Cowan Creek Amenity Center. Contact Bonnie Dennis for registration and further information at bonniedennis@suddenlink.net or 512-966-7781.

Eagle Boosters

Contact: Jim Chapman, 512-863-0636 or JimC18@gmail.com

The Girls' and Boys' basketball teams have been participating in the state basketball playoff tournaments. The playoffs began with Bi-District and continued with Area and Regional games. The State Finals will be played at the Al-

amodome in San Antonio. We send our best wishes to the teams!

The words "fun, food, fellowship, and fantastic action" are great descriptions of Eagle Boosters. Each game allows you to talk with your fellow sport fans while watching GHS athletes compete against other schools. Occasionally, the outcome of a game is determined in the final seconds, just as the horn sounds! These talented and hard-working students appreciate our support and we enjoy watching them play. During the year, we host several meals which provide us an opportunity to meet and greet with coaches and players. Join the Boosters for \$10 annually.

Girls Playoff Basketball Games

State Final March 5-7

If you would like to attend the basketball games, please call Karen Chapman at 512-863-0636 or email at kscsew@gmail.com

Boys Playoff Basketball Games

State Final March 12-14

Many of our Sun City residents enjoy attending baseball, cross country, golf, lacrosse, power lifting, soccer, softball, tennis, and track events, which are played in the springtime. Visit our website to check game schedules, scores and activities.

Fabric & Fiber

Studio Hours: Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m.

Studio Phone: 512-948-7667

A beginning beading class will be held on Tuesday, April 14 and April 21 from 1:30 - 4 p.m. at the studio. Kit cost is \$5. Sign up sheet is available at the Studio on Tuesdays from 1 - 4 p.m., or contact Kathryn Hart at 512-868-8398.

Appliqué: 1st and 2nd Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m. *Darlene Knoepke, 512-868-0507.*

Beading: Tuesdays, 1-4 p.m. *Kathryn Hart, 512-868-8398.*

Fiber Art: 1st, 3rd and 5th Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. to noon. *Linda Hillan, lhishere@yahoo.com*

Machine Embroidery: Mini-retreats every 2nd Friday and the Thursday before from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on 5th weekends. *Betty Dvorak, 512-415-3512.*

Night Owl Stitchers: Mondays, 7 p.m.

Mary Jean Thorp, 512-869-7236.

Quilting: Meetings, Wednesdays, 1-4 p.m.; Mini-Retreats, the 2nd and 4th weekends; Workshops, 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th Mondays, 9:30 a.m. and 1st and 4th Fridays at 9 a.m. Traditional & Arts Quilts meets 1st, 3rd and 5th Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. to noon. *Lynn Hayes, 269-209-1700.*

Rubber Stamping & Creative Paper Arts:

1st and 3rd Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. to noon, and 4th Monday, 1 p.m. *Janice Mitchell, 512-943-9425.*

Rug Hooking: 1st, 3rd and 5th Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. to noon. *Kathi Pinkston, 512-943-4808.*

Scrapbooking: 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and 1st and 3rd Sundays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. *Renee Forster, 512-864-0988; Theresa Kittle, 512-864-2387.*

Sewing/Embellishment: Meetings, 3rd, 4th and 5th Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m.; Workday, 3rd Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. *Pat Stroup, 512-869-8557.*

Sit & Stitch: Mondays, 10 a.m. to noon. *Gail Rador, 515-975-4639.*

Spinning & Weaving: 1st and 2nd Tuesdays, 3rd, 4th and 5th Thursdays, 1-4 p.m. *Janet Payne, 815-979-8258.*

Foreign Language

Contact: Glenda Nuckols, grundy911@suddenlink.net

Third Friday International – The Third Friday International Speaker will be Bill Thornton, speaking on Myanmar. The presentation will take place March 20, 1 p.m. in the Atrium of the Activities Center. All are welcome.

Club Dues: Full year (January – December): \$10/person; half year (July - December): \$5/person. Join online through the CA ticketing system at www.sctexas.org, or pay dues by check at the Member Services Office. Membership includes all activities and language classes.

For information about classes, contact SIG directors or visit the Foreign Language Club online.

If interested in learning Japanese, Chinese, Portuguese or Conversational Hebrew, contact Judy Harries, jbharries@juno.com.

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French – Contact Marielle at mariellerimmer@yahoo.com

German – Contact Ursula Pinner at jupinner@gmail.com

Hebrew – Contact Pamela Lager at pamela@avatarclg.com or 512-240-4213

Italian – Contact Reeta Wadzeck at 512-591-7199. Beginning and Intermediate classes are being offered in 2015.

Portuguese – Beginning Portuguese starts March 17. Contact Martha Patterson, mpatte512@suddenlink.net.

Russian – Contact Nancy Grafton at nancygrafton@sbcglobal.net. To brush up on your Russian, please sit in on our beginner classes, Fridays, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. before registering for the fall 2015 Intermediate Class. Contact Nancy for more information.

Spanish – SIG Director Ginny Hahn, hahngin@suddenlink.net. Curriculum Director, Judy Harries, jbharries@juno.com. Spanish 101 and 103, 201, 203, 301, and 401 are offered in March. See the NRO Bulletin for more information, or read descriptions of all our classes on the Spanish SIG website. Contact Judy Harries, jbharries@juno.com, for further information.

Garden

Wednesday, March 11, 12:30 p.m. (social), 1 p.m. (meeting) CCF/G
Contact: Carol Parsonage, carol.parsonage535@gmail.com

Meeting

Come to the Garden Club's monthly meeting for garden tips, our plant of the month and educational programming. Arrive early for coffee, cookies and an opportunity ask a question of experienced local gardeners. You can also check out a gardening book or find a plant or garden item on the sharing table. Our March speaker will be Catrin Dubois, Landscape Superintendent for the Sun City Texas Common Areas. Catrin has 17 years of experience in watching how perennials perform after cutbacks. She will share her knowledge on why, when and how to prune landscape plants in this area. Her "Pruning Do's and Don'ts" program will surely help you create a beautiful yard.

Membership

We invite all Sun City residents to join the Garden Club. From amateurs to experts, our gardeners all have one thing in common – a yard! New and renewing members can pay their 2015 dues either at the meeting (bring a check made out to SCTXCA) or online via the Sun City Texas website. Individual dues are \$12, and a second person in the household may join for total family dues of \$20.

Garden Tour

Preparations are underway for our Seventh Annual Sun City Garden Tour, "Beauty by the Yard." This year's tour will take place May 2 – 3, and offers a great opportunity to gather ideas for your garden.

March Yard of the Month

Congratulations to Jeff and Wanda Kanode of 520 Davis Mountain Circle. A photo of their beautiful yard is in the "Around Sun City" section of this month's *Sun Rays*.

Hiking

Contact: Jan Woolheater, 512-868-5573 or suncityhiker@gmail.com

The Hiking Club has nearly 90 hikes planned for 2015, as well as social events like our Spring Fling and Fall Festival. We hike sites near (the San Gabriel River Trail and the Lake Georgetown Goodwater Loop) and far (Colorado Bend State Park and Enchanted Rock State Natural Area). Our hikes range from easy, brief excursions on level ground, to challenging treks which stretch over rocky and hilly terrain. Special events in March include a dozen hikes, plus our marathon and half marathon around Lake Georgetown. Check out our calendar online for details. Our next general membership meeting is Tuesday, March 10 in the Atrium – all are welcome. Interested folks may join us on an introductory hike. See you on the trail.

Horseshoes & Washers

Tuesdays and Thursdays 9 a.m. Horseshoe Courts

Contact: Tom Minor, 512-863-9811

Newly arrived homeowners have been joining our club, but we need more players. Long-time residents are missing out on fun and fellowship! Many of you have played horseshoes in parks and at family

picnics, so what are you waiting for to join us? Our club maintains 10 well-kept courts, so come on down!

Shuffleboard SIG

Sun City Texas has an active Shuffleboard group; approximately 20 individuals belong to the Shuffleboard SIG and 20 other residents also play at the two courts (adjacent to Bocce Courts, and next to Horseshoes and Washers). The courts are open every day to residents. Although there is no league play, members of the SIG and other residents gather at the courts at **9 a.m.** every Tuesday and Thursday to play for one hour.

Newcomers are welcome to join us any time. If you have not played in the past and would like to be introduced to the game at a time other than 9 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, email Tom Rice at rice4646@gmail.com.

Horticulture/Sun City Organic Gardens

Tuesday, March 3, 1 p.m., ACA

Nursery and Greenhouse open

Thursdays and Saturdays, 9-11 a.m.

Contact: President: Randall Brown,

512-508-8015 or randy.brown@

suddenlink.net, New Members:

Vern Gonion, 512-869-1129 or

vrgonion@yahoo.com

March will be a busy month at the garden!

The **Spring Plant Sale** will take place on Saturday, March 21, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Sun City Community Garden, located at 141 Sun City Blvd. We will have all sorts of landscape plants and shrubs, vegetables, herbs, iris, mulch and compost available. Please join us for this event. Our regular monthly meeting will be on March 3, featuring a Williamson County Master Gardener discussing vegetable gardening.

Hunting & Fishing

Tuesday, March 10, 2 p.m., SCB

Contact: President Jim Key, 512-943-9595 or jimkey7@gmail.com

Meetings: Our guest speaker, Kyle Simank from Guns Plus, will talk about competitive sports shooting.

Membership: Annual dues are \$12 per person; sign up and pay online through www.sctexas.org or at the Member Services Office. Contact John Pettitt, Membership Director, at 512-943-0618.

Fishing: Check out the club website for a list of planned fishing activities. Contact Ron Thompson, Fishing Director, at 512-869-2202 or thompr@gmail.com.

Hunting: Leases and day hunts are available for dove and deer. High fence game preserve hunting and hog hunting are available year round. Contact Bernie Long, Hunting Director, at 512-943-0241 or fcbctrustee@yahoo.com.

Hog Hunting: Available year round. Contact DB Hunting Ranch, Bertram Texas, 512-635-0641.

Sport Shooting: Club members organize events/outings at the Best of the West near Liberty Hill. **Skeet and trap shooting:** Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. **Pistol shooting** at a variety of targets in several scenarios: first Fridays, 9 a.m. **Pistol target shooting** (at Best of the West or Eagle Peak in Leander): first and third Wednesdays. Contact Bernie Long, Director of Hunting. **Rifle target shooting:** fourth Wednesdays; meet at the Cowan Creek Pavilion at 9:30 a.m. Contact Andy Attaway, alattaway@icloud.com.

Black Powder Shooting: Contact Larry Maltz, 512-869-7003 or pattilm@verizon.net.

Fly Fishing: Contact Bill Smith, 512-591-7016 or smith.williamr@yahoo.com.

Archery: Contact Bernie Long, 512-547-3056 or fcbctrustee@yahoo.com.

Kayaking: Contact John Digits, 512-869-4164 or kjdigits@suddenlink.com.

Investment Education

Contact: Will Saunders, 512-257-2137 or sandyren@suddenlink.net

Membership: Everyone is welcome to attend our events. Dues are still only \$5 annually so if you have not joined, please sign up now.

Club Website: Visit the club website for more details about our monthly speakers, Special Interest Group (SIG) events, calendars, contests, Sweet 16, and Selected Favorites.

Investment Special Interest Groups (SIGs): Investment Club Special Interest Groups (SIGs) meet the second and third Thursdays of each month from 1-3 p.m. in Meeting Rooms 1 & 2 of the Activities Center. The club's dual-track discussions will focus on: (1) Introduction to

Investing; and (2) Advanced Investment Strategies. Please consult the Investment Education Club website for specific topics and dates.

Karaoke

Contact: Mike Glackin, 512-635-0754 or mike.glackin125@gmail.com

Show Sun City you've got talent! Our new professional karaoke system will make you sound like the "rock star" you are! Come have a great time singing or just listening to the music and hittin' the dance floor. Open to everyone. Always no cover. BYOB and snacks.

We host fun karaoke events nearly every week, generally on Thursdays from 6-10 p.m.:

Thursday, March 5..... CCF/G
 Thursday, March 12..... CCF/G
 Wednesday, March 18..... CCF/G
 Thursday, March 26..... CCF/G
 Thursday, April 2 CCF/G
 Wednesday, April 9 CCF/G
 Thursday, April 23ACA
 Wednesday, April 29 CCF/G

Club Karaoke is open to new members. Dues are \$12 per year.

Line Dance

Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays; times vary

Contact: June Mueller, 512-591-7618 or muellertj203@gmail.com

Do you like to dance? Various dance styles are incorporated into "lines" and danced to a variety of musical genres. No partner required! Residents are welcome to attend three times before joining. Dues are \$14 for the year. Five socials with special themes are held annually in the ballroom. The board will meet on March 17 at the Activities Center in Meeting Room 1 beginning at 1 p.m.

Wednesdays – Ballroom (unless otherwise notified)

Beginner: 12:45 to 1:35 p.m.

Transition: 1:40 to 2:25 p.m.

Intermediate: 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Thursdays – CCF/G

Experienced-Transition/Intermediate: 9 a.m.

Intermediate-Advanced: 10 a.m.

Sundays – (1st, 3rd, 5th) CCF/G

Ultra Beginner: 1 p.m. (First Sunday only)

Beginner: 1:30 p.m.

Transition: 2:30 p.m.

Pattern/Partner Dance: Contact SIG Director Betty Wyer at 512-869-8442 or bettywyer2@verizon.net. Members meet in the Atrium from 6-8 p.m. on the first, third and fifth Thursdays of each month. All Line Dance Club members are welcome to participate in the Pattern Dance sessions. Pattern dancing is done by couples, but is not limited to male and female partners. It utilizes many of the same steps employed in line dancing.

Mah Jongg

Wednesday and Saturday, 12:30 p.m.
 Thursday, 6:30 p.m. AC, GR 1/2/3

Contact: Sharon Kyslowsky, skyslowsky@suddenlink.net

Come one, come all and join us in a game of Mah Jongg. The Sun City Texas Mah Jongg Club welcomes players of all skill levels. For those who want to learn the game, we have a great teacher, and our group consists of both social and tournament players. We have several tournaments and lunches throughout the year. Give us a try!

Men's Golf Association

email: sctxmga@gmail.com

Contact: Jeff Morgan, 512-591-7050 or jsmorgan815@gmail.com

The purpose of this association is to promote good fellowship and sportsmanship among its members while playing golf. Weekly tournaments are held each Wednesday. You do not need great golfing skills to become a member or to participate in any sponsored golfing event.

See the Golf section of the *Sun Rays* for monthly MGA news.

Nature

Tuesday, March 17, 2:30 p.m., SCB

Contact: Bob Jensen, President, rdjensen345@gmail.com

Photographing Texas Outdoors

The spring migration of birds and butterflies has begun and early wildflowers are blooming. Lee Hov, former vice president of the Williamson Audubon Group, will present a beautiful photographic tour featuring birds and butterflies in their Texas environment. There will be some

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wildflowers, too.

Dues: \$12, includes monthly programs on various topics and six Special Interest Groups (listed below).

Special Interest Groups: See Club Calendar on the website.

Amphibians and Reptiles: Jim Christiansen, 512-868-3504

Astronomy: Micheal Starch, 512-868-1076 and Ed Wiley, 512-688-1071. **Meeting:** Monday, March 23, 7 p.m., ACA. First, we'll present current astronomy items of interest; then, member Ken Ruehl will present "The Observable Universe." A Great Courses DVD lecture on cosmology will follow.

Birding: Karen McBride, txmotmot@suddenlink.net; Ed Rozenburg, 512-869-7303. **No March meeting. Walks:** Thursday, March 5 at 7:30 a.m., and Wednesday, March 18 at 8 a.m. (DST). Meet at LHPP to walk or carpool. Any changes TBA by email to Nature Club members.

Butterflies: Ed Rozenburg, 512-869-7303. **Meeting:** Tuesday, March 3, 2:30 p.m., AC MR 3/4, "Brushfoot Butterflies, Part 2." **Walk:** Wednesday, March 25, 9:30 a.m. Meet at LHPP.

Native Plants: Art Gibson, 512-943-0173. **Walk:** Tuesday, March 10. Walk Nature Trail. Meet at 9 a.m. at trail head of Quarter Moon Trail, Sun City Blvd and Rio Grande.

Rockhounds: Bill Blodgett, 512-948-7088; Paul Swetland, 512-943-8592. **Meeting:** Tuesday, March 10, 4 p.m., AC MR 3/4. Program TBA.

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Oldies but Goodies Dance

Saturday, April 11, 7 p.m., SCB

Contact: Bill Smith, 512-591-7016 or wilsmithzz029@gmail.com

The OBG Dance Club is "Where the Young at Heart Dance to the Golden Oldies." The club is a newly sanctioned CA Chartered Club and is open to any Sun City resident who would like to become a new member. We have four dances per year featuring the classic sounds of the '50s, '60s and '70s. Our next dance will

be on Saturday, April 11 featuring Little Beverly and the Shades, a rock-n-roll band specializing in the oldies from the '50s and '60s. Our fall dances will be on Friday, September 18 and Saturday, November 14 to recorded music. All dances will be held in the Social Center Ballroom. Doors open at 6:30 and all dances begin at 7 p.m. Dues are \$10 per person or \$15 per household. All dances are free to members. BYOB and snacks; ice and water will be provided. Non-members and guests are welcome to attend any dance at \$5 for recorded music dances and \$10 for live bands.

Pet

Contact: Tom Olsen, 512-639-2085 or suncitypetclub@yahoo.com

The next round of dog training will begin in April. As usual, there will be an informational meeting for individuals who have not yet taken classes through the Pet Club. This meeting will be held in Rooms 1 and 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the Activities Center, which is directly across from the Social Center Ballroom located on Texas Drive.

One of the issues that the Pet Club provides assistance with in Sun City is finding lost cats and dogs. Should you lose an animal or find a stray, please contact the Pet Club for help in bringing this pet home. Please also notify the Monitors at Texas Drive and Cowan Creek (numbers available on page six of your Resource Guide and Directory).

If you want to learn more about training your dog, consider signing up for a training class either with the Pet Club or another training facility. We suggest enquiring about the type or style of training used, whether it is positive or negative reinforcement. Instructor Ruth Olsen uses only positive reinforcement, which is the best form of training.

Photography

Wednesday, March 4, 2 p.m., CCF/G

Contact: Cheryl Cook, President, 281-382-7760 or cjcook73@yahoo.com

General Meeting: The March meeting will be on Wednesday, March 4, starting at 2 p.m. in the Georgetown/Florence Rooms at Cowan Creek Amenity Center. Visitors are welcomed. This month we

host the third installment of our "Photography Improvement Program," in which Mr. Royce Blair will present, "Milky Way Nightscapes Photography." We will also have club announcements.

Photographs on Display: Members' photos are exhibited at the Activities Center, Cowan Creek Amenity Center, The Oaks, the Photo Studio and the club website.

Special Interest Groups: SIG meetings are held in the Photography Studio. Current SIGs are: Advanced, Competition, Light Room, Nature, Novice, Beyond the Basics, Photoshop, PSA and Elements.

Field Trips: Monthly field trips offer members great photographic opportunities. A brief session prior to the field trip covers trip details and logistics; another get-together takes place after the trip to share experiences and photographs taken.

Membership: 2015 dues are now payable online. Dues are \$12 for the first person and \$5 for each additional family member. You may join through the Sun City Texas website, at the monthly General Meeting or by contacting a Board member.

Pickleball

Contact: Nancy Grafton, 512-417-0627 or nancygrafton@sbcglobal.net

"Fun, Friends and Fitness" is the Pickleball Club motto – come and experience it all firsthand!

Pickleball is an active game combining elements of tennis, badminton and ping pong. Played on a doubles' badminton court with paddles and a perforated plastic ball, all it requires are workout clothes, court shoes and a desire to play the game. Whether you are new to pickleball or are a seasoned veteran with tournament experience, we have a level of play suited to your needs.

Our club offers a free introductory training class for beginners, which provides a fundamental overview of the skills needed to play the game. We also sponsor a mentor program, in which some of our more experienced players assist beginners with rule assimilation and suggestions on technique. Of course, the best way to become proficient at pickleball is to actually play the game. Courts five and six are

reserved for beginner use every Monday and Thursday afternoon, 3-5 p.m.

More experienced players can improve their skills by competing in league play and participating in scheduled tournaments. Registration for our spring leagues, which begin the fourth week in March, is open now through March 13, 2015. There will be divisions for Women's Individual Doubles, Co-Ed Individual Doubles and Team Doubles. Our fourth Annual Spring Tournament is coming up in April.

If pickleball sounds like the game for you, contact our Player Development Director, Richard Bradley at RLbradley1963@gmail.com for more information.

Poker

Contact: Roland Schroeder, 512-869-0138; PokerClub@sctexas.org

If you like to play Texas Hold'em or Omaha High/Low, come and join other Sun City resident players and have a great time. Players come and go at their leisure throughout the days of play.

All events listed take place in the Activities Center at 1 Texas Drive. All Sun City residents – new and established – are welcome to join the club. Dues for 2015 are \$10 per resident, allowing each member to participate in as many games as he/she desires.

Texas Hold'em No Limit Tournament

The Poker Club will hold a \$24 buy-in Texas Hold'em No Limit tournament on Tuesday, March 10. The tournament will consist of no more than three tables with a maximum of 30 players. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in Game Room #3. You must place your name on the sign-up sheet to reserve a space in the tournament.

Texas Hold'em Schedule of Events

Tuesdays, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., GR#3
Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., GR#3
Saturdays, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., GR#3

Omaha High/Low Schedule of Events

Mondays and Thursdays, 5 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., MR#4
Saturdays, 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., MR#4

Are you interested in learning how to play

Texas Hold'em? If so, express your interest via email to PokerClub@sctexas.org.

Radio Control Modelers

Tuesdays, 7:30 a.m., CCF

Contact: Terry Palmer, President, rc.modelers@suddenlink.net

Newly retired or new to Sun City? Looking for a fun hobby that you never had time to pursue? Welcome to the RC Modelers. We build them and we run them: airplanes, sailboats, helicopters, quads, powerboats, cars and off-roaders. Come and learn how with a group just like you. Lots of members (men and women) new to the hobby along with some seasoned hobbyists who will show you how. We're just over three years old and we've already grown to over 160 members. If you're not interested in the "live stuff," we have a computer-controlled flight simulator which we "fly" at our weekly meetings. Monthly activities include flying rotor craft, small airplanes and run cars/off-road vehicles in the Social Center Ballroom, as well as other fun events at Berry Creek Pond.

March schedule:

Sunday, March 1, SCB:

Rotor Craft: 10:30 a.m.
Cars/Trucks: 12:30 p.m.
Fixed Winged Aircraft: 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 29:

Boating, Berry Creek Pond: 1 p.m.

Tuesdays and Saturdays:

Sailing, Berry Creek Pond: 10 a.m.

We fly small electric airplanes on the golf driving range while it is closed on Mondays. We fly every evening at the White Wing driving range, 30 minutes after the golf shop is closed. We need light wind conditions to fly, so our flying usually takes place in the early mornings or evenings. If you see us out flying or sailing, stop by and say hello. For a membership application, please visit our website via www.sctexas.org.

RV

Tuesday, March 17, 5 p.m., CCF

Contact: Mike Moody, 512-864-7873 or rvclubpresident@gmail.com or George Santowski, 512-868-8458 or gjsant2000@yahoo.com

May the road rise up to meet you, may the wind be always at your back, may the sun shine warm upon your face, and may we see you at the next RV Club meeting on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, 5 p.m. at Cowan Creek! Wear your favorite color, as long as it's green. Irish-themed dishes are encouraged for the potluck dinner, but any dish will do. A prize will be awarded for the favorite Irish dish.

Trips planned for 2015 include Schulenburg and Antiques Festival (March), Alaska (July), and New York (August). Information about these trips and our 2015 meetings schedule is available on our website.

The RV club brings together residents of our active community who enjoy the RV lifestyle. The result is a great combination for friendships, travel and adventure. We currently boast nearly 100 rigs of virtually every style and configuration. Our members organize group RV trips to a wide variety of destinations throughout the year. We meet once a month except June, July and August, when many of our members are away traveling. Interested residents can find membership and other information on the club website or from our contacts above.

Singers

Rehearsals: Tuesday evenings,

6:40-8:30 p.m., SCB

Contact: Nancy Robohn, 512-943-9682 or robohnlpz@yahoo.com

Ticket sales begin Monday, March 2 for the Sun City Singers spring concert, titled "With a Voice of Singing." Dates are Wednesday, April 15 and Thursday, April 16. Both shows begin at 7 p.m. in the Social Center Ballroom. Songs range from vintage to new, inspiring to invigorating, nostalgic to humorous. Tickets are \$8 per person for reserved seats and may be purchased at the Member Services Office or online at www.sctexas.org.

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March will be held in the Social Center Ballroom.

Newcomers are welcome to join the Singers Club after the spring concert, when we will begin rehearsing for our Independence Day concert. The first rehearsal, on April 21, will take place at the Cowan Creek Amenity Center instead of the Social Center Ballroom. New members may pay their dues of \$10 at that first rehearsal, online, or at the Member Services Office.

Dulcimers - a SIG of Singers

Our annual benefit concert for the Carving Place was presented on January 25. Through your generous contributions, we raised \$2,210 in cash donations and 400 pounds of food.

We continue making music together and performing at local nursing homes. Spring festivals have many of our members traveling to Irving, TX, Baton Rouge, LA and Palestine, TX. Practice is in Rooms 3 and 4 of the Activities Center, Saturdays from 10 a.m.-noon and Tuesdays from 6-8 p.m. Visitors are welcome. For more information, please contact Jeanne Lubey at 512-864-3459 or jlubey@msn.com.

Social Bridge

Contact: Dee Pokluda, 361-935-6124 or deecottonpatch@gmail.com

We play four games per week in the Activities Center on Texas Drive.

Bridge begins at noon; players should arrive at 11:45 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Room 1. Bridge takes place on Thursday in Room 3 and begins at 5:30 p.m.; players should arrive at 5:15 p.m.

Play News:

Merl Wagner and Jim Copps had a 7 Diamond Grand Slam on January 15. Congratulations!

Softball (Senior Coed Slow Pitch)

Contact: Membership Director Tom Davis, 512-843-9465 or trdavis101@gmail.com

“You don’t quit playing softball because you get old; you get old because you quit playing softball!”

We invite you to beautiful Del Webb Field

to watch or play one of the few spectator sports in Sun City Texas! Come and have some fun! Our grandstand cover makes watching games more comfortable and enjoyable.

Our spring season starts on March 2 and ends on May 29 with multiple games on Mondays and Thursdays. Registration is \$10 for the season, available through the online ticketing system on the Sun City Texas website. Regular practices and pick-up games take place at 10 a.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays. We invite all new and existing residents to check out our senior slo-pitch softball. There is also our very active and self-supporting traveling team, the Sun City Warriors, for more competitive players.

Check the Softball Club website and the club bulletin board at Del Webb Field for additional information, schedules and a calendar of events.

Solos

Solos Thirsty Thursdays, 5:30 p.m., The Oaks

Contact: Jack Mercer, 512-635-5583 or jwmercer@suddenlink.net

The Solos Chartered Club is open to all Sun City Texas residents. Our goal is to have a good time participating in social, intellectual and sporting activities, including bowling, golf, adventure group, card games, day trips, book club, wine tasting, dining out, traveling, etc. Dues for 2015 are \$20 and may be paid on the Sun City Texas website or at the Member Services Office. At Thirsty Thursday, we celebrate birthdays, have potluck meals and share in social activities. Bring your beverage of choice, a glass and let us welcome you to our family of friends.

Upcoming Social Event

Lights, Camera, Action! Sun City Solos gather around for an evening with the stars on Saturday, March 21. You can come dressed as your favorite actor or actress (or not). Walk down the red carpet as the paparazzi take photos and/or stop you for a quick chat. Enjoy an evening filled with fun, good food and great entertainment.

Watch for more details about this amazing event.

Stained Glass

Tuesday, March 10, 3 p.m., The Oaks
Contact: Wayne Nelson,
512-868-9044, nelsonavn@aol.com
Studio phone: 512-948-7662

We invite you to come by the studio and see what we have to offer. We do a variety of work with glass (copper foil, kiln-formed, jewelry and mosaic) and we have a lot of fun.

We are open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., week days. Classes are available from time to time. Check with the club to find out the dates for the class you would like to take, then come check us out.

Sundancers

Contacts: James & Jeanne Blackwell,
512-863-7381 or
blackwellj@suddenlink.net;
Howard & Betty Wagner, 512-931-0058 or hbwagner@suddenlink.net

The Sundancers square dance on Monday evenings and round dance most Sunday evenings. All square and round dancers are welcome to come and join in the fun. The club dress code is casual.

Square Dance Schedule

Beginner Lessons: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Workshop: 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Square Dance: 7 to 9 p.m.

All March dances will be in the ballroom. Workshops will be Mainstream on March 2, 9 and 16. The workshop on March 23 will be Plus Level.

Special Dances

Graduation Night: Graduation for the beginner class will be held Monday, March 30 at 6:30 p.m. This is a very special occasion, as class members have worked very hard and are anxious to become regular members of the club.

Anniversary Dance: Sundancers held an Anniversary dance January 19 to celebrate 18 years as a Chartered Club. Numerous dancers from clubs in the surrounding area joined in the celebration. Special guests included individuals who were founders, officers and members of Sundancers' first square dance class.

Round Dance Schedule

Beginners (Phases 1 and 2): 2 to 4 p.m.

Intermediates (Phases 2 and 3):

4 to 5:45 p.m.

Advancing group (Phases 3 and 4):

5:45 to 7:30 p.m.

All March dances will be in the Atrium: March 1, 8 and 29.

Check out our website for pictures and video of club activities, plus the current schedule of dances, along with links to area square dance information.

Table Tennis

Contact: Activity Director Richard Feinstein Pingtennis2015@gmail.com

Great news—Sun City Table Tennis Club members have all-day access to the Cowan Creek Salado Room every Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday. Additional hours also may be available if no other group has scheduled the Salado Room Tuesday through Thursday. If in doubt regarding access, check the weekly room schedule by logging on to www.sctexas.org and click on “Room Reservations” or check at the Cowan Creek Monitor’s Desk. These expanded hours will increase opportunities for organized activities, informal play, socialization and instruction. As before, tables, balls, and paddles are available in the Salado Room. Please log in (name and time) each time you play; the attendance book is on the counter in the Salado Room. The new Board of Directors (President Sharon Tillisch, Vice President Linda Curfs, Secretary Sheila Engel, Treasurer Susan Pendelbury, and Activities Director Richard Feinstein) will meet quarterly to provide leadership and direction for the club. Club members are encouraged to attend all open Board meetings. Check the club website for news, events, tournaments, photos and other related materials. Yearly dues are \$10 per person, payable via the Sun City Texas website or by bringing a check to the Social Center.

Tennis Association

Bill Perkison, Communications Chair, [512-943-0557](tel:512-943-0557) or bill@perkison.com

Tennis at Sun City is for all skill levels and all playing schedules. Join us and let’s play some tennis!

To reserve a court with your friends, use the daily court schedule posted on the bulletin board between courts two and three. But for the most fun, from USTA competition to attending fun socials, join some of our many other activities.

Try Open Tennis. It’s doubles with no partners, no levels and a friendly coordinator to get you started. Play Monday and Wednesday evenings or Friday mornings at times posted on the court schedule on the bulletin board. Just show up and have fun!

Use the Tennis Game Finder. Locate other like-minded (similar skills, schedules, whatever) tennis players. Sign up cards are, again, on the bulletin board.

Participate in our tournaments and social activities. They are awesomely fun! How, you ask? How else, check the bulletin board!

Join Sun City Texas Tennis Association (SCTTA). This is a deal! Members get discounts on tournaments and social events and receive advance email notification of leagues, tournaments and socials. Joining is simple, go online at www.sctexas.org, buy a membership “ticket” or call Phil King at 512-240-5797, or get an application from the bulletin board. It’s only \$12 a year.

Need more information? Call 512-868-6951 for George Price, resident tennis instructor, who’ll be happy to guide you through the process of engaging in tennis at Sun City.

Visual Arts

Meeting: Tuesday, March 10, 3–5 p.m., CCF/G

Contact: Violet Nicklen, 850-543-7775
Studio Phone: 512-948-7661
Annual Dues: \$10

Any resident of Sun City is invited to join the Visual Arts Club. Annual dues are \$10. The studio is open for members to paint from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays, unless a class has been scheduled. Class schedules can be accessed on the website, and a copy of the schedule can be picked up at the studio. For information on classes contact Patricia Williams at 512-351-2029 or patriwillia@gmail.com. Classes for March through April are on the schedule and include offerings for all levels and in multiple mediums.

The VAC invites everyone in Sun City to our annual **Meet the Artist Show and Reception** on Sunday, March 1 at the Activities Center from 2–5 p.m. Enjoy demonstrations and light refreshments

as you view art and visit with the artists. The exhibit will remain on display through April 17.

The March general meeting will feature Sharon Riddell, membership chair and lead webmaster, as she explains the new website for the VAC. Her presentation will highlight the changes which became effective February 12 on all Sun City websites. She will assist members in navigating through the new website, enrolling in classes using the website calendar, using the links on the VAC site and numerous other skills that will aid in using the new site.

The six SIGs within the VAC meet in the Studio. Their scheduled days can be found on the website.

Women’s Golf Association 9-Hole

Contact: Betty Ann Preston, 512-868-9928 or bapreston@gmail.com

The WGA 9-Holers tee off on Tuesdays, alternating weekly play among all three Sun City golf courses. In addition, golfers are encouraged to attend our monthly general meetings which are held on the second Tuesday of each month.

See the Golf section of the *Sun Rays* for monthly WGA 9-Holers news.

Women’s Golf Association 18-Hole

Contact: Terri Pender, 512-864-2997 or terri@penderfamily.com

Play days are every Tuesday, alternating between all three Sun City golf courses. Monthly meetings are held the first Tuesday of every other month. Please check the *Sun Rays’* Golf section or visit our website for dates, locations and monthly WGA 18-Holers news. We welcome any new or returning ladies interested in 18 holes of fun, competitive golf! New members must contact membership representative Paula Mockenhaupt at pj143mac@gmail.com or 512-240-4273. We’re looking forward to a successful 2015, so please come join us.

Women Helping Others

**Meeting: Monday, March 23, 11 a.m.,
The Oaks**

Contact: Nina Stancil, 512-868-1609
or nstancil@aol.com

Women Helping Others (WHO) is a newly chartered Sun City club which welcomes all residents. We are a cohesive group with a passion and purpose for caring, sharing and serving the extended community. Our mission is to support existing charitable organizations with time, donations and assistance while fostering camaraderie, fellowship and inclusion. And yes, men are welcome, too. We meet the fourth Monday of the month. The agenda includes a business meeting and presentation from a non-profit organization, followed by a salad luncheon. The members bring the salads and make a \$10 donation at each meeting. Annual dues are \$10, payable online or at the monthly meeting. Guests and prospective members are welcome to join us. Just let us know you are coming so that we may welcome you.

We have some exciting goals for 2015, including creating arts and crafts for later sale, fall garage sale participation and support, and volunteering for Faith Lutheran Church's annual Meals on Wheels golf tournament. It will be a great year for WHO!

Woodworkers

www.sctxwoodshop.com

Shop phone: 512-591-7853

Shop hours: M-F, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Sat. 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Board Meeting:

Wednesday, March 18, 9 a.m.

Membership Meeting:

Thursday, March 19, 9:30 a.m.

Contact: Jane Bonk, 512-948-7214 or
jane.bonk@outlook.com

New members: You must sign up in person at the woodshop for orientation and safety training. First year's dues (\$40 plus the initial \$20 training fee) will be due at sign up.

We invite you to stop by the woodshop, take a guided tour of our facility, talk about your idea for a wood project, or just chat.

The Woodworkers Club is open to all Sun City Texas residents. All new members are required to take the orientation and safety class, as well as a one-on-one, hands-on safety training session. You do not need woodworking experience to be a member of the club.

Our training classes and extensive library help members plan projects and enjoy woodworking. We conduct orientation classes twice a month and will start our enhanced classes next quarter.

We build wooden toys for "Toys for Tots" and make kit projects for "Camp Discovery" and help those children who are fighting cancer assemble the kits. To raise funds for these projects, we sell craft items throughout the year, provide furniture repair at the woodshop, and sell handmade goods at the annual Hill Country Arts and Crafts Fair.

Special Interest Group

Woodcarvers: Beginners to experienced – all are welcome. Contact Karl Fiedler at 512-818-4156 or karlandme@suddenlink.net for more information. Meetings are Mondays from 6-9 p.m. and Tuesdays from 8:30-11 a.m.

Zoomers

Membership

Join or renew online or in person at the Member Services Office. Direct questions to Tom Greer at jtommyg@sbcglobal.net. Our newsletter is available via email.

Social Activities

Zoomers has many active social groups with special interests in books, table games, bowling, movies, dining out, wine and beer tasting and gourmet cooking. Contact Robin Pearlstein at social.zoomer2014@gmail.com for more information about wine and beer tasting, dining and movies. Contact Helen Shields at helenoshields@gmail.com for information about cards and table games, books and bowling.

ZOE (Outside Events)

With the spring and summer months soon arriving, members have already begun booking Zoomers trips such as our Southern Elegance, the Northern California Experience and the Canadian Rockies, featuring the famous Rocky Mountaineer Train to Vancouver. Watch your Zoomers newsletter for two additional trips in late September and October. New day trips to be announced later this month - check our Zoomers ZOE website for all the current trips and trip coordinators.

Zoomers Inside Events (ZIE)

Current Members Only

ZIE will host Casino Night on Saturday, March 14 in the Social Center Ballroom. The Casino Connection will set up your favorite gaming tables and slots. Watch for the flyer detailing time, price and food.

Sports Activities

The first Zoomers golf tournament of the year will be held March 1. Watch your emails for sign up information to play in our tournaments.

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MARCH YARD OF THE MONTH JEFF AND WANDA KANODE • 520 DAVIS MOUNTAIN CIRCLE (N59)

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POKER FACES

The Poker Club held a Texas Hold'em No Limit tournament on January 13 with 30 members participating in the event. Congratulations to Don Howard for winning the tournament with Louise Phillips placing second and Bob Cribbs placing third. Other winners: High Hand - Alan Bourdo (Full House: Jacks full of Kings); Bounty - Ben Lefkowitz and Carley Phillips (TWO).

January Texas Hold'em Tournament: (left to right) 2nd Place - Louise Phillips, 1st Place - Don Howard, 3rd Place - Bob Cribbs



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PLAY BALL!

Recently, the Softball Club hosted a double header featuring teams made up of the local Georgetown High School girls softball team and our Sun City Softball players. The field was filled with more than 150 spectators. A hot dog lunch was provided and funds were collected to help upgrade the GHS softball field.

Right: Softball Club member Gary Dennett visits with members of the Georgetown Softball team.



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Solos Midway Madness!

Solos Club members had an evening of fun when they transformed the ballroom into a carnival midway complete with games, popcorn, cotton candy, face painting, clowns and more. Looks like the event was a huge success!



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Mardi Gras!

Never let it be said that Sun Citians don't know how to let the good times roll! This year, Mardi Gras festivities included the N13 parade, celebrating at Putters Café, and an evening dance in the ballroom.



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Fred Adsit and Photo Phil



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GEORGETTES CHEER FOR THE HORNS

Recently, the Sun City Georgettes were thrilled to perform at two UT basketball games. The drill team proudly showed off their moves at the January 29 game featuring UT against Oklahoma and again on February 8 when UT played against Baylor.



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HE'S A WINNER

Burton Anes stands next to his photo, "Roses and Bee," which won Best of Show, First Place - Advanced, and Best of Category in the Experienced Division - Vegetation Category at the recent Sun City Photography Club "Magic Through the Lens" sixth annual competition and exhibition.



PHOTO BY FRED ADSIT



SUNDANCERS NEW OFFICERS

The Sundancers Square and Round Dance Club officers for 2015 were installed at the first dance of the year. From left to right: Treasurers - Marilyn and Al Shick; Ruth Ann and Terrell Brown; Vice-Presidents - Barbara and Thomas Davis, Evelyn and Bob Bearden; Secretaries - Elayne and Steve Timmons; Presidents - Jeanne and James Blackwell; Secretary - Jim Teegarden.

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MISSISSIPPI GET-TOGETHER

At the last Mississippi Club social, about 40 members enjoyed sharing memories of Mississippi and viewing Elvis memorabilia at the home of Jim and Carol Hastings (above right), who provided barbeque flown in from Corky's in Memphis, TN. Jim and Carol met Elvis several times while working at the Strand Theater in Memphis.



WISE OWL

Resident Barbara Luna snapped this photo of an owl that resides near her home.



SUBMITTING PHOTOS FOR SUN RAYS

If you would like to submit photos for *Sun Rays*, please send your photos as simple JPG attachments.

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Email photos to: emily.wallace@sctexas.org or jaimie.calder@sctexas.org.

Pennsylvania Club Groundhog Day Sock Hop

What began as a small private annual get-together for members only has become a huge event open to all of Sun City - the Pennsylvania Club Groundhog Day Sock Hop! "Punxsutawney Phil" made an appearance and 320 folks had a grand time hopping and bopping all night long.



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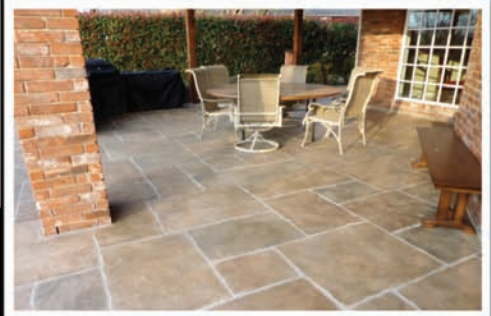
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Upon completion of the course, graduates MAY receive a discount on their automobile insurance premiums. Please check with your auto insurance carrier to see what discount, if any, will apply.

AARP courses do not qualify for ticket dismissal in Texas unless you have previously contacted the appropriate court and received approval to take this course in place of a Defensive Driving Course.

Remember to bring your driver's license, AARP card and the ticket you purchased at the Member Services Office or online.

For more information, contact Herb Hainlen at HCHJLH@yahoo.com.

Friends of the Library

The library is closed for book processing from 8:30-11:30 a.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month

Contact: Nancy Davis 512-863-5626 or nkddavis9@suddenlink.net

Guidelines for donated books and other materials:

No encyclopedias, computer manuals, textbooks, large sets or large books. No VHS tapes or audio books on tape or jigsaw puzzles. The last copyright or printing date of a book may be no later than 1999. Recordings must have copyright-dated material. Magazines may be no more than three months old. Restriction

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African/African-American Women

Sun City women of African and African-American descent meet monthly in an informal, friendly and fun gathering to connect with one another. Contact Rae Gill at 512-868-8688 or mraegill@verizon.net.

Antiques & Collectibles Lovers

Sun City Texas women with an abiding interest in antiques meet monthly in members' homes to enjoy a short program and share knowledge and love of antiques, vintage items, collectibles and historical sites. We also have a biannual fundraiser to benefit our local county museum. You are welcome to attend as a guest if you want to learn more about how our Questers group works. Contact Christy Glandt at 512-819-0912 or bcglandt@gmail.com.

Big Band Group

A Sun City based Swing Band has formed for musicians who love to play. Call Henry Savage at 970-819-2819 or 512-863-2317, or email hsavage39@gmail.com

Book Discussion

Contact: Bob Stockburger, 512-240-5573 or stuttgart822@yahoo.com

A monthly discussion of great works of literature. New members welcome. Group One meets Sunday, March 8, AC Rm 1, 5-7 p.m. Topic: Thoreau's *Civil Disobedience*. Group Two meets Saturday, March 14, AC Rm 1, 10 a.m.-noon. Topic: Marx's *Alienated Labor*.

For further information, contact Bob Stockburger at stuttgart822@yahoo.com or 512-240-5573.

Born In Texas

If you or your spouse were born in Texas and are not receiving the BIT Club emails, contact Carolyn Heald at 512-819-9484 or carolynheald@aol.com.

Brits

Second Thursdays

The British Group meets monthly on the second Thursday of each month. If you are from the UK and would like to socialize with fellow Brits, please come and join us. Anglophiles are also welcome! Contact Angela and Norman Tucker at 512-240-4063 or tuckernorman@att.net for information.

Cajuns

www.sccajunclub.com

Come pass a good time with The Sun City Texas "Kiss Me I'm Cajun" Club. Join us in the Social Center Ballroom on Sunday, March 29 at 6:30 p.m. for our 4th Annual Swamp Pop Night. Everyone is welcome. For more info and a schedule of events, check out our website at www.sccajunclub.com. To subscribe to our newsletter, The Cajun Times, email Ron or Peggy Scarborough at sccajunclub@aol.com or call 512-943-9450.

California

Third Wednesdays

Were you born in California? Lived in California? Visited California? Just like California? Then come and join us on the third Wednesday of each month for dinner. We're "laid-back" Californians, just eating and socializing. Call Jan Renfro at 512-863-2802 or email jren_tx@yahoo.com.

Chicago

We are about Chicago foods, including hot dogs (no ketchup), Italian beef sandwiches, pizza, gyros. We are about Chicago teams, memories, neighborhoods, pride. If you are from Chicago or have a connection or interest in the Windy City, we hope you will join us. We meet bi-monthly for good food, watching our Chicago teams, celebrations and more. Contact Linda at lindadwyer0503@gmail.com, or Jim at jjbonk@core.com.

Colorado

A new interest group has been formed for Coloradoans living in Sun City Texas. Our next meeting will be in May; time and place TBD. Currently, we have over 100 members. Join us to share your memories of Colorado and make new friends. For more information or to be included on our email list, contact Devon at devonmail@comcast.net.

Corvette Owners

Are you interested in joining other Corvette owners in a Sun City cruising group? Contact Kent and Susan Didriksen at 512-863-9206 or ksdidriksen@aol.com.

Cruisers

www.sun-city-tx-clubs.org

Have a motorcycle or scooter or dream of having one? Join the Sun City Cruisers. We meet for fellowship, story swapping, discussions on bikes and accessories, and planning for future group rides. Call Russ Miller at 512-863-9692 or email milinscon@suddenlink.net.

Cycling

www.suncityxcyclists.org

The Sun City Texas Cyclists have rides from cruising around Sun City to longer, faster rides over rarely traveled roads. New member rides are Saturday and Monday mornings. For more on our ride options, distances and pace, visit our website.

The Sun City Ordinarily Unruly Tandem Society (SCOUTS) invites tandem riders to join them for a ride in the wonderful countryside outside Sun City. Rides are every Tuesday and Thursday. Contact Karen Shawhan, k.l.shawhan@gmail.com.

Czech

If you are of Czech heritage and interested in meeting socially with other Czechs, contact Stephanie Matlock at stephanie_matlock@yahoo.com.

DAR - Robert Gilbert Livingston Chapter

Daughters of the American Revolution, Robert Gilbert Livingston Chapter, will meet Thursday, March 12, in the Sun City Activities Center Atrium at 1 Texas Drive. Refreshments will be served at 9:30 a.m.; the meeting will begin at 10 a.m. Williamson County Master Gardener and Sun City Resident Winola Van Artsdalen will present, "Beautiful Water-Savvy Landscaping." Guests are welcome. For further inquiry, please contact Regent Barbara Elrod at 512-931-2484.

Firefighters

Are you a former firefighter, either career or volunteer? If you're interested in casual

gatherings with other former "smoke eaters" contact Ken Phipps at kenwhipps@gmail.com.

French Social

Born, lived or worked in French-speaking countries? Want to keep up the language? Join our group on the second Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. For the location, please contact Claudia Shelton by email at caugier26@yahoo.com.

Garland Groupies

If you previously lived in Garland, Texas and are interested in fun and fellowship with others who have lived there, you should become a member. Call Charlie/Margie Swearingen at 512-864-0306 or Ed/Bettye McCrary at 512-864-0471.

German

Second Thursdays, Noon

This spirited social club comprises native-born and German-Americans with a desire to share mutual experiences in all things Germanic; the language, peoples, culture, prevalent in its diverse regions. Interest is keen regarding the migration of German settlers to Texas and their contributions to the Lone Star state. Luncheons are on the second Thursday of each month, with dialogue in German and English. Contact: Dick Aull, 512-948-2911 or Ute Kelly, 512-863-9256.

Hadassah - SC Kadima

Hadassah is the largest women's Zionist and volunteer organization in America. Hadassah is dedicated to improving the lives of people in Israel, supporting women's health issues and women's rights in the U.S. To find out more information about the local Kadima chapter, contact Sarah Christiansen, 512-868-3504 or sarahlmc@suddenlink.net; Geri Scheer, 512-864-0212 or gerischeer@gmail.com.

Hawaii

Our next gathering will be held on Sunday, March 22, Prince Kuhio Day, at the Cowan Creek Florence Room. Email Karen if you have not received email notification.

The Hawaii club consists of members who were born or raised in Hawaii, those who have lived or worked in Hawaii, or those who possess a real love for the

state and its culture. Contact Karen Meredith Lindholm at hulagal98@hotmail.com or 512-686-1906, or Martha Toler at marthantoler@gmail.com or 512-868-3639.

Indiana

Former Hoosiers and others interested in Indiana are invited to join us. Contact Barbara Wolford at 512-948-7182 or bj-wolford@msn.com.

Iowa

Come join other Iowans for a potluck dinner on Monday, April 13, from 5:30-8 p.m. at the Legacy Hills Pavilion. For more information, contact Pat Sampson at 512-863-8219 or pndsampson@gmail.com or Jan Miller at janandgael@suddenlink.net.

Italian Social

Second Fridays, VFW Spaghetti Night

If you have Italian heritage, have lived in Italy, or just plain love everything Italian, join us for the Italian Social and Cultural Club. Occasionally, we have other outings and great potluck. Bocce Sundays. Contact Eddie Verdecanna at 512-868-0704 or eddieverde@gmail.com.

Kansas

If you have lived in Kansas or just wish you had, you are invited to join us as we share information, stories, and memories of Kansas. The Kansas Group gets together at least annually. Watch the Kansas Group page on the Sun City Texas website for upcoming events. For additional information, contact Jim Wayland at 512-864-9319, Reg Bessmer at 512-686-0140, or Larry/Jonene Pruitt at 512-591-7268.

Latin/Hispanic

Are you Latin or of Latin heritage? Have you spent a number of years living in Latin America? If you are interested in meeting with others to practice Spanish or exchange cultural experiences in a casual social setting, contact Fran at 512-930-8180 or leftkrow60@aol.com.

Life Sciences

We meet on the first Saturday of the month. Contact Norm Ford at 512-868-0098 or Bob Hazelwood at 512-864-0311.

INTEREST GROUPS

Michigan

If you have lived in Michigan, have ties to or an interest in Michigan, please join us to share information, stories, and memories of the Great Lake State. For further information or to be included on our email and notification list, contact Will Wright at 512-240-4325 or mistagrouse@gmail.com.

Minnesota

If you are a former Minnesotan and interested in meeting other Golden Gophers, this interest group is for you. For more information and to be added to our mailing list, contact Chuck Kraby at txchask@aol.com or Cameron Kienenberger at 512-240-4209.

Mississippi

Calling all Mississippi folks – join our Mississippi Club. Come meet other Mississippians living in Sun City. Contact Bunny Petty at bbpettytx@gmail.com or 512-864-0683 or Mary Lou Harrington at marylou10tx@aol.com or 512-864-1949.

Nebraska

Nebraskans get together three to four times a year to share and celebrate. If you have a Nebraska Connection or just want to have one, please contact Jerry and Cleo Ramsey at 512 863-0662 or jlrams2002@yahoo.com.

New England

The New England Social Society is open to ALL folks with ties to New England. We get together several times a year. For information or to be added to our email list, contact Gail Abend at gsabend@gmail.com, or Pat Ford at 512-943-8503 or pat4door@yahoo.com.

New York

Yo, New Yorkers! Do you love the Big Apple? Did you leave your heart in the Empire State? If you are interested in meeting others who feel the same, let's get together! To add yourself to the New York Group mailing list, e-mail Tom Olsen at tolsen53@suddenlink.net. For other information, contact Pat Prudhom at 512-686-0506.

Nurses

Lunch and Learn Quarterly meeting Friday, March 6, 11:30 a.m., The Worship Place

All Sun City nurses are invited. Bring your brown bag lunch. Pat Ramming, RN MSN, Director of Patient Logistics at Seton, will be our guest speaker. Contact patclendenin@gmail.com to join our group.

Ohio

Sun City Ohioans will gather on Tuesday, March 3 at Cowan Creek for the Men's Chili Cook-Off – the women will do the judging! Ohio State fans gathered at Wriggley's on January 12 to watch the National Championship game, which they won! Congratulations, Ohio State Buckeyes! On May 12, the Ohio Club will attend a Round Rock Express baseball game. Join the Ohio Club to meet other Ohioans! Contact Celia Olson at 512-948-7382 or olson@dgonson.com to be added to our emailing list.

Oregon

Are you an Oregon native or have ever lived in the great state of Oregon? Come and join fellow Oregonians in the Sun City Oregon Club. We meet approximately five times each year and also plan smaller get-togethers for those who may have special interests such as football watch parties. UO and OSU fans are invited to wear their Duck or Beaver paraphernalia. Contact Jim Anderson at oregonjim@suddenlink.net or 512-943-9629.

Pennsylvania

Whether you were born and raised in Pennsylvania, lived there for a short time, or just appreciate the history and culture of the Keystone State, you are welcome to join us. For emails and information on upcoming events, contact Fran Jackson at PAClubofSCTX@gmail.com.

Porsche Owners

Do you own a Porsche? Are you interested in meeting other Porsche owners for informal outings and social activities? Contact Jerri Matthews at 512-868-9502 or jnmatt127@gmail.com.

Psychology

Anyone who would like to participate in an interest group in psychology (psychologists, social workers, counselors, psychiatrists), contact Don Pool at 512-864-7595 or dpool2@verizon.net.

Runners/Joggers

We meet at 7 a.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays in front of the Texas Drive Fitness Center; all are invited to join. Contact Dee Simmons at 512-868-9697 or missysimmons@msn.com. If it is too early for you to run, join us for coffee at the City Market on Tuesdays at 8 a.m.

Sage in Bloom Questers

Do you love antiques? Do you like to learn about local history and support the restoration and preservation of historic articles and places? Then you are a Quester! The Sage in Bloom Chapter of Questers here in Sun City Texas meets first Tuesdays from September to May. Contact Martha Knight at mmkni22@suddenlink.net or 512-819-9649, or Deanne Coward at gcoward@suddenlink.net or 512-868-1732.

Sky Girls

We are a group of retired stewardesses (better known today as flight attendants) who meet monthly in the home of one of our members. Our meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. We are strictly social, and have discovered we have endless experiences to share and compare! Call Debby Dooher at 512-869-7459 or Pam Meyners at 512-868-5575

SAR - Alexander Hamilton Chapter

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The Alexander Hamilton Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution will meet on Saturday, March 14 at 11 a.m. at Mel's Lonestar Lanes, 1010 N. Austin Avenue. Our speaker will be Lane Redwine, who will discuss "Hereditary Societies in the United States: Historical Development and Present State." If you believe you have a Revolutionary War Patriot ancestor or if you are already a member and have not yet transferred, contact Harry Walden, 512-818-1379 or harry.walden@gmail.com.

St. Louis

It seems we have a number of former St. Louisans living in Sun City Texas. If you feel that St. Louis connection, contact Gary and Sheila Engel at geesle@swbell.net or 512-868-6929.

Sun City Blues

Blues music has been a strong influence of all American music styles since the early 1900s. Come be part of the Just the Blues group. There will be blues dances, blues dance lessons and trips to Austin blues clubs. To get on the list, send an email to justthebluessctx@gmail.com, or call Dennis at 512-686-1897.

Tai Chi & Chi Kung

Meet Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at the LHPP for a gathering of Tai Chi and Chi Kung practitioners to exercise and have fun. Open to all. Contact Don Mulvey at 512-917-3236 or dmlulvey@yahoo.com.

Texas Tech

Guns up, Texas Tech Red Raiders! Time to celebrate another great year of Red Raider sports. Contact Dr. Robert (Bob) Pinder at 512-864-0860 or pinrob@icloud.com.

Viva El Paso!

If you've ever lived or want to reconnect with the original Sun City, its rich west Texas culture, the Franklin Mountains or the desert southwest, you must join: **VIVA EL PASO!** Exchange memories from Texas Western/UTEP, Ft. Bliss and, of course, Ciudad Juarez. Many of the people who made El Paso great live right here in Sun City Texas. Join us for our bi-monthly Saturday dinners. Contact Yolanda, angelgandara@prodigy.net, or Patricia, patrwillia@gmail.com.

Wisconsin

Contact: Loree Parker, 512-869-0319 or loreetx@suddenlink.net

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political

Sun City Democrats

www.suncitydems.org

Saturday, March 21, SCB

Coffee: 9:30 a.m.; Meeting: 10 a.m.,

Contact: Dwaine Boydston, President 512-431-4412 or dwayne.boydstun@gmail.com

This month's speaker is the credentialed Congressional Correspondent for The Hispanic Outlook on Higher Education, Peggy Sands Orchowski, Ph.D., who will present a discussion of major points in her first book, "Immigration and the American Dream," along with her recommendations for improving current political/social dilemmas. She will also discuss the evolution of U.S. immigration law, and possibly touch on her second, as-yet-untitled work.

Republican Club of Sun City

rcsctx.com

Thursday, March 12, SCB

Social Period at 6 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Program at 7 p.m.

Contact: Robert Fears, 512-863-6873 or iwriteag@gmail.com

Wayne Thorburn, author of the new book "Red State," will discuss how the GOP came to dominate Texas politics. He will speak briefly about the transition spanning from 1960 to 2014, with particular attention on the election of 2014.

There is a \$16 charge per person for dinner. A check payable to "The Republican Club of Sun City" must be mailed no later than Friday, March 6 to The Republican Club of Sun City, 1530 Sun City Blvd., Suite 120, Box 227, Georgetown, TX, 78633.

service organizations

Citizens Council at Sun City Texas

Thursday, March 12, 9 a.m.

Contact: Steve Johnston, 512-591-7594 or drclean@suddenlink.net for location of meeting.

www.citizenscouncilsct.org

Citizens Council is an independent group of residents with a common vision of safeguarding the value/lifestyle of the Sun City Texas community. The Citizens Council is not affiliated with the developer, Community Association or other governance systems. All members and interested parties are welcome to attend our meetings.

Kiwanis Club of Sun City

Tuesdays, 10 a.m., Location varies

Contact: Dave Tolkan, 512-528-5470

Want to become involved in your community and help the children of Williamson County? Then join us each Tuesday to hear speakers of interest and meet neighbors who are working to benefit our local youth. Everyone is welcome, so come be an active participant in the Sun City Texas Kiwanis Club.

Sun City Shriners

Tuesday, March 17

Doors open 5:30 p.m.; Dinner 6 p.m.

Berry Creek Country Club

sctxca.org > Site Index > Shriners Group

Contact: Jack Neal, 512-864-0237

All Shriners and Masons are invited to attend our March meeting. Contact Jack Neal, 512-864-0237, or Al Scholin, 512-864-9493, to make reservations. The Sun City Shrine Club is a unit of Ben Hur Shriners in Austin, supporting the Shriners Hospitals for Children. If you would like to learn more, please visit: www.shrinersinternational.org or www.beashrinernow.com.

Sun City Texas Rotary

Tuesdays, Location varies, Noon

Contact: Don Bender, 512-863-2179 or dpbender@suddenlink.net

Part of a global organization, The Sun City Rotary Club abides by the motto, "Service Above Self." As Rotarians, we

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participate in local and international humanitarian projects, providing educational, financial, and medical assistance. If you share in a desire to make a difference, consider attending one of our weekly luncheon meetings.

spiritual

Anglican Worship

Christ Church Sun City invites everyone interested in worshipping Jesus Christ in a relaxed yet traditional service to join us each Sunday at 10 a.m. at The Oaks, 301 Del Webb. Our Book of Common Prayer worship includes Biblical proclamation, joyful celebration and Holy Communion every Sunday. Christ Church also hosts weekly Bible Study. For information, contact Fr. Steve Pope at frsteven2@yahoo.com or 512-591-7183, or Fr. Billy Disch at 512-868-6668.

Catholic Rosary/Dinner

A group of Sun City Catholics meets once a month in each others' homes. Potluck dinner is followed by the Rosary and fellowship. There are currently two groups involved. All Catholics – couples or singles – are welcome. Contact Mona O'Brien at 512-863-4867 or oh.gb.mona@gmail.com.

Celebration Church

One of the best ways to connect with others is joining a small group! Celebration Church offers many bible study groups here in Sun City. **Bible Study, Fellowship and Support:** 2nd and 4th

Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Contact Bunny Bassett, 512-864-1456 or bbbass8995@aol.com. **Bible Study and Discipleship:** 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Contact Carlene Truett, 512-240-4571 or deantruett@suddenlink.net. **Single ladies 55+ Bible Study Fellowship:** 1st Sundays at 6:30 p.m. Contact Babs Belote, 512-639-1912 or bbelotedesign@yahoo.com.

Christian Science

If you would like to know more about the healing power of the Christ, you are lovingly invited to attend Christian Science worship services held each Sunday at 10 a.m. at the Cowan Creek Amenity Center. Testimony meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 12:15 p.m., also at Cowan Creek Amenity Center. For more, email csgeorgetown222@gmail.com.

Congregation Havurah Shalom

www.chstx.org

2nd and 4th Fridays, 7:30 p.m.

Contact: Linda Schaffer, President, 512-597-7000, president@chstx.org or membership@chstx.org

Congregation Havurah Shalom of Sun City holds services on the 2nd and 4th Friday of every month at the Cowan Creek Amenity Center, Florence & Georgetown Rooms at 7:30 p.m. In addition, services are held on the High Holidays. Throughout the year many other religious, social, and community activities are offered.

Hill Country Bible Church - Sun City

www.hcbcgt.com

Sundays, 8:30 a.m., CCAC

Contact: Senior Adults Pastor Dennis Keller, 512-496-8934 or dennisk@hcbcgt.com

Hill Country Bible Church has been in Georgetown for over 18 years and now has an additional campus right in Sun City Texas for your convenience. There are several small groups that meet weekly in Sun City Texas, as well. For more information, please visit our website or contact us.

The Worship Place

An Interdenominational Church located at 811 Sun City Boulevard; established in Sun City Texas in 1998. Believers in Jesus Christ come from various denominations seeking to grow in faith, to nurture and care for each other, and reach out to the community and the world. Sunday services: 8:15 a.m. Praise and Worship; 9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. Traditional Worship. For Bible Study and Ministry information, check www.theworshipplace.org, call 512-869-1310 or email twp@theworshipplace.org.



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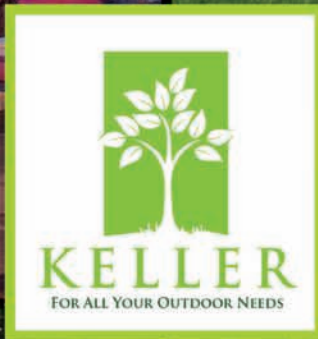
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