



Austin Newcomers Welcome Mat

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February General Membership Meeting Come and Check Out the Weather Man

When: Wednesday, February 21

Time: 11 a.m. social time
12 p.m. - meeting and lunch

Where: Chez Zee
5406 Balcones Dr.

Cost: \$30/person

RSVP: [Online](#) before Noon on February 19, or checks to Austin Newcomers postmarked by February 16 and mailed to Marsha Hayden, 10402 Treasure Island Dr., Austin TX 78730.



No matter what the weather is on February 21, Austin Newcomers are in for a real treat when renowned KXAN Weatherman Jim Spencer reveals everything we've always wanted to know about predicting the weather and more. Not only is Jim an Emmy award winning weather forecaster, but he is a

recognized man about town in his charitable efforts to make Austin a better place to live. Join us as we talk about the weather at our February luncheon.

Chez Zee
Bistro | Bar | Bakery | Banquets

Updated Bylaws for Austin Newcomers Club

Please review the updated club Bylaws [here](#). You can also find them on the News and Events page on the website. We will vote on these at the March meeting. Thanks for your support.

Photos Wanted

Don't forget to take a picture at your interest group event and send it to historian Beth Oliver at historian@austinnewcomers.com for next year's photo book.

President's Message



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February Board Meeting

When: **Tuesday, February 7**
Social, 9:30 a.m.
Meeting, 10:00 a.m.

Where: Hosts: Gail Wilson,
Eugenie Whalen
4009 Varner Crt., 78732

RSVP: **By February 5** to
withrow19@hotmail.com

Contact Donna if you have any
agenda items to add.

Punxtawny Phil Says Hello With a Valentine's Kiss

After a respite in January from all our December celebrations, February ramps up the holidays once again.

As I write this newsletter, I don't know yet if our friend Phil (or Armadillo Bob in Bee Cave) will or will not see his shadow. I guess it doesn't matter as much in Austin as it did back in my hometown of Rochester, NY. Six more weeks of snowy winter was always a daunting thought up north, but in Austin, we might enjoy six weeks of 50-70 degree weather. Of course, no matter what Phil says, we are always at the mercy of mother nature.

Have you been hiding away for a while like Punxtawny Phil? It's not too late to start marking your calendar for many delightful social opportunities coming up.

Will you and your honey check out some cool Austin restaurants on the 14th? I recently visited for the first time a Chinese restaurant called Old Thousand on East 11th Street. The food was delicious.

There are always interesting events in Austin, and here are two you might consider: Carnaval Brasileiro at the Palmer Events Center on February 10 or the Oyster Festival on the Seaholm Lawn on the 14th.

February is also a month to celebrate our country's president's, so along that vein, I would like to take time to honor all the current members who were once ANC's fearless leaders. If you see these past presidents, please take a moment to thank them for volunteering their time and talent.

There are so many activities in the club to choose from in February. Check out *Romeo and Juliet* with The Play's the Thing or *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime* with our Experience the Zach group. Don't forget to discover Domain North with Shop Austin.

Save the Date for the ANC Spring Gala

I am also excited to announce that we will have a club-wide Spring Gala on Friday, May 4 at The Vista on Seward Hill in Westlake. It will be a memorable occasion that includes lush indoor/outdoor ambiance, delicious food, and dancing to complete the evening. Please mark your calendar now as you won't want to miss this wonderful event. More details will follow.

Finally, it's not too late to consider joining our next new board. Feel free to contact me and give me the good news that you are interested.

Have a delightful February.

*Cheers,
Donna*

BOOK GROUPS

Book Groups

When: Thursday, February 22, 10:00 a.m.

Details: We now have two book groups: Bluebonnet and gayle.cannon70@gmail.com

Yellow Rose. Books are chosen annually in the fall, and both groups read the same book each month. If you would like to join a book group, please contact Gayle Cannon, gayle.cannon70@gmail.com

Bluebonnet Group

Host: Martha O'Connell
10402 Charette Cove
78759

RSVP: By February 21, email
marthajoconnell@gmail.com

Chairs: Barbara Hornaday
bhornaday@austin.rr.com
Naomi Ritchie
jarnfrdar@yahoo.com

2018 Books

February - *History of Rain*, Nial Williams

March - *Lady Bird and Lyndon: The Hidden Story of Marriage*, Betty Boyd Carroll

April - *The Last Paintings of Sarah De Vos*, Dominic Smith

May - *Larose*, Louise Erdrich, 400 Pgs

June - *The Tea Girls of Hummingbird Lane*, Lisa See

July - *A Piece Of The World*, Christina Baker Kline

August - *My Promised Land*, Ari Shavit

September - *Before We Visit the Goddess*, Christina Banerjee Divakaruni, 240 Pgs

October - *The Underground Railroad*, Colson Whitehead

November - No Meeting

December - *Exit West*, Moshin Hamid

Yellow Rose Group

Host: Judy Gunnels
9408 Topridge Dr. 78750

Facilitator: Karen Rankin

RSVP: Email Judy at
judy.gunnels@yahoo.com
or call her at 214-823-5936

Chairs: Gayle Cannon
gayle.cannon70@gmail.com
Mimi Rhea
eerhea@att.net

Afternoon Mystery Book Group

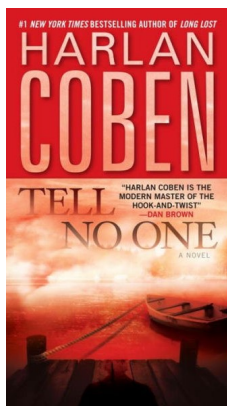
When: Wednesday, February 14
1 p.m.

Book: *Tell No One*
Harlan Coben

Where: 8019 Raintree Pl, 78759

RSVP: By Monday, February 12 to Bronwen below.

Chair: Bronwyn Bowen
bbowen60@gmail.com



Men's Book Club

When: February 27, 2 p.m.

Book: *The new Jim Crow - Mass incarceration in the age of color blindness* by Michelle Alexander. Essential reading for everyone, but especially for those who feel we live in a post-racial era. Manipulation of laws in order to disenfranchise and criminalize the black population has done enormous harm to our democracy and our idea of what America should be. The struggle of black people in the USA never ended, but continues to this day.

Where: Bob Hawthorne, 16208 Zagros Way
443-414-2337

From the North, take 360 South, turn right onto 2244 (Bee Caves Rd), turn right onto 71, turn right on Vail Dv, turn left on Zagros Way.

RSVP: Not required

Chair: Hector Barrio
hebate@gmail.com

MOVIES

Art House Cinema North

When: February 9, 7 p.m.

Cost: \$1.00/person at the door

RSVP: [Online](#) or RSVP to email sent to group each month. No deadline but there is a limit to meeting size.

Details: Each month the group selects a film to see before the next month. We see the film and then get together as a group to discuss and rate it as well as select a film for the following month. Details of upcoming gatherings for this group are sent in a separate email to group participants with details about the movie selection, location, and any additional information that is needed.

Chair: Karen Rankin
karenrankin@austin.rr.com

Art House Cinema South

When: February 9 and 23, 7 p.m.

Cost: \$1.00/person

RSVP: [Online](#) (if you are new/not on the mailing list) before the meeting

Details: We meet at homes of members and discuss and rate two movies selected in the previous month. Members attend one of two meetings each month, on either the second or fourth Friday. Online registrants receive an email with meeting details and the movie to see. Hosts generally limit the number of people their homes can accommodate. Details of meetings will be sent ahead of meeting dates via email.

Chair:
ArthouseCinemaSouth@austinnewcomers.com,
 512-632-1305



Critics' Corner

When: February 9, 7:30 p.m.

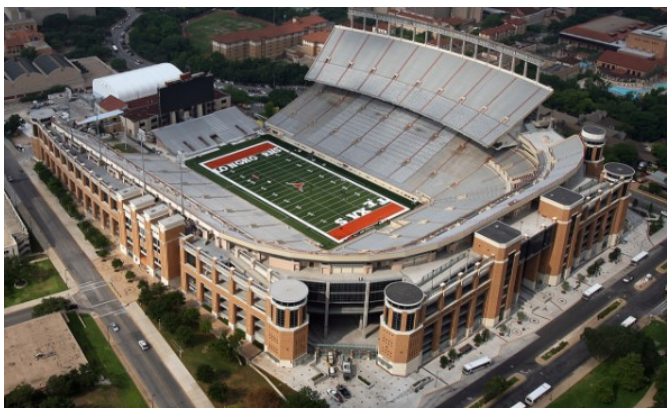
Details: Critic's Corner meets at 7:30 on the second Friday of each month.

Details of upcoming meetings are sent in a separate email to group participants, giving details about the movie selection, location, etc.

Members see the movie on their own, then meet at a member's house for a discussion of the movie. We ask members to bring a hearty appetizer or dessert and a beverage. Visitors are welcome. Email Tom Taylor for information.

Chair: Tom Taylor
tomtaylor9@gmail.com
 214-642-3873

AROUND AND ABOUT AUSTIN

Save the Date*Diamonds* **to Denim** - Just Bling It**Friday, May 4, 2018****Swing Into Spring Austin style****At the historic Vista on Seward Hill****Reservations and details coming soon. Bring your friends.****Hello Austin - UT DKR Stadium Tour****When:** February 9, 10 a.m.**Where:** Details will be sent to registrants**Cost:** \$17/per person. If you already paid \$19, you will get a \$2 refund.**RSVP:** Online by January 23. We need a minimum of 15 participants for the tour.**Details:** This is a private 75-minute guided walking tour of the stadium. We will visit the physical culture collection, the gameday press box, and the trophy room and will walk through the storied tunnel onto the field, just like the football players do on gameday. See memorials and statues honoring people who have been a part of the history of Texas athletics and enjoy beautiful views of Austin and the campus. At the end of the tour, you can visit the Longhorn team shops and have lunch at one of the UT campus cafes.**Event host:** Theresa Green
theresagreen464@gmail.com

AROUND AND ABOUT AUSTIN (continued)

Art Treks - Valentine Cookie Decorating

When: Tuesday, February 13, 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Where: Make It Sweet
9070 Research Blvd. 78758

Cost: \$30

RSVP: [Online](#) with payment by February 10



Details: Our water coloring class was such a resounding success that we are going to offer a different kind of art form, cookie decorating. You will bring home six different hand-done cookies just in time for Valentine's Day.

Join us for an optional lunch at Andiamo Italiano, 2521 Rutland Drive, with authentic Italian cuisine and Zagat rated best place for homemade pasta and dessert. Karen and Linda tasted the food, and Karen feels it is the best Italian food ever.

Chairs: Linda Poyser, 713-291-7545
Karen Werner, 817-896-4905

Daytrippers - New Braunfels

Who's up for a March outing to New Braunfels? There's lots to see and do there:

- The Museum of Texas Handmade Furniture (Beidemier style)
- Heritage Village
- The Sophrenberg Museum with its history of German immigrants to Texas
- The Railroad Museum
- Lunch and a snoo around the historic town square

Dale Truitt and I are glad to plan this outing if enough of you are interested.

Please let me know by February 15 if you you'd like to come in either early or late March (so no one has to miss SXSW).

Also, let me know if you'd like to stop by the Gruene Historic District on our way home.

We will arrange carpools once we know who's going.

RSVP: Susi Spies is counting heads. Please email her directly by February 15 at susi.spies@gmail.com to let her know if you want to come.

Chairs: Susi Spies, susi.spies@gmail.com
Dale Truitt, daledtruitt@gmail.com

FOOD/SOCIAL

Friends Connection

When: March or April

Where: To be announced

Cost: Separate checks, medium price range

RSVP: Online in March or April

Details: We will meet again for brunch in March or April. In the meantime, contact some of your Friends Connection buddies and get together for a bit of fun. If you haven't thought of something interesting to do on your own, Newcomers offers many activities. Just choose one and meet them there. Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Chair: Lynne Davis
elcdavis@sbcglobal.net
512-368-5660

FOOD/SOCIAL (continued)

TGI Social (Thank Goodness It's Social)**When:** Saturday, February 18, 4 - 6 p.m.**Where:** Linda and Paul Parrish
631 Sad Willow Pass, Driftwood**Price:** \$1/person at door for paper goods**RSVP:** tgisocial@austinnewcomers.com**Details:** February is here and it is time for a TGI Social gathering. Meet new friends, connect with old friends, and just relax and kick back with a wonderful group of people. Bring a hearty appetizer and a drink (wine, beer, lemonade, tea, etc.) to share with the group. Couples bring both an appetizer and drink, singles bring one, either appetizer or drink to share.**Chairs:** Janie and Jim McClam
jalommc@msn.com, 512-301-9230**Come to Dinner - Bring a Plate****Details:** Come to Dinner – Bring a Plate is a monthly dinner group for single ANC members who enjoy cooking and socializing. We meet in small groups in a member's home. In July and August we meet in a restaurant.

Contact the chair to be placed on the list to receive the monthly invitation. You will get an email after the first of the month with the date and host, and you should **RSVP then, NOT online**. Once the guest list is complete, the hostess sends out menu information and the address and directions to attendees. Each guest brings a dish.

When you join the list, we expect a commitment to be a host or co-host at least once every 12-18 months.

Chair: Lynne Marcus, lmarcus08@gmail.com
505-340-5464**Out to Lunch Bunch - Chez Nous****When:** Friday, February 23, 11:15 a.m.**Where:** Chez Nous, 510 Neches St., 78704
512-473-2413**RSVP:** [Online](#) or to Susi at email below by Noon on February 21**Price:** Separate checks**Details:** Chez Nous is, as its name suggests, a very French restaurant. It's also one of Austin's most beloved culinary landmarks having been opened in the late '70s by three friends from Paris hoping to open a true French bistro to share a slice of their native culture with their new community. In all the years since, Austin has changed mightily, but Chez Nous...not a bit. Still great food; still lovely people and service; and still beloved. Please come join us for a treat of a dejeuner.**Chair:** Susi Spies, susi.spies@gmail.com**Happy Hour - Cover 3****When:** Tuesday, February 20, 4-6 p.m.**Where:** Cover 3, 1717 West Sixth
Parking floors 1 and 2 free,
floors 3 and 4 free with
stamped restaurant receipt**Price:** Cost of food and drinks, separate checks.**RSVP:** [Online](#)**Chairs:** Elliott and Nancy Kossak
ekossak@gmail.com
Charlie and Louise Brown
charlieb7127@gmail.com

THEATER

Experience the Zach



The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time

When: Wednesday, February 7, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, February 25 at 2:30 p.m.

Ticket Purchase Deadline: Friday, February 2

Where: Topfer Theater

Details: Winner of the 2015 Tony Award for Best New Play, this is a dazzling, pulse-pounding and remarkable adaptation of Mark Haddon's internationally best-selling novel.

Fifteen-year-old Christopher has an extraordinary brain and is very gifted at math. He is exceptionally intelligent, but unfortunately ill-equipped to interpret everyday life. When he falls under suspicion for killing the neighbor's dog, the play immerses you inside Christopher's world as he is determined to identify the culprit in true Sherlock Holmes style, which leads him on a thrilling journey across London that will change his life forever.

Please arrive 30 minutes before show time or join us for drinks and appetizers at 1:15 p.m. or 6:15 p.m. in the Z-lounge before the show.

How to Buy Tickets

Ticket Prices for both shows: \$41 - \$69

Tickets: We're holding seats for a limited time, so don't wait. Please do not call the box office to purchase as they are unable to offer you your Austin Newcomers group discount.

Option 1: Call Alyson Mintz, group sales at 512-476-0594, Ext: 245 or e-mail amintz@zachtheatre.org

Option 2: Use our online discount group code: NEWCOMERS when you purchase tickets online thru the Zach website.

Chair: For questions regarding our performance schedule or general information, please contact:
Pattie Webster Schieck
Pattie@pattiewebster.com

The Play's the Thing

Coming Up: Saturday, Feb 17, 7:30 p.m. **Romeo & Juliet** at MMNT (5:30 Zax Restaurant)

Details: This theater lovers group explores classic, contemporary, and musical plays throughout the year. We also meet for a pre- or post-theater dinner. The venues are Austin Playhouse (AP), Mary Moody Northen Theatre (MMNT) and Georgetown Palace Theatre (GPT).

The rest of the season is listed below.

- Sunday, Mar 4, 2:00 p.m. **Barefoot in the Park** at GPT (Dinner follows at Gumbo)
- Saturday, Apr 7, 8:00 p.m. **Shakespeare in Love** at AP (6:00 Vino Vino)
- Sunday, May 6, 2:00 p.m. **My Fair Lady** at GPT (Dinner follows at Gumbo)
- Saturday, June 2, 8:00 p.m. **Curtains** at AP (6:00 Vino Vino)

Tickets: To pay for subscriptions, flex passes, and single tickets, contact the box office of each theater directly. Mention that you are a member of Austin Newcomers.

AP: Box Office (Cyndi) 512-476-0084
www.austinplayhouse.com

MMNT: Box Office (Meg) 512-448-8484
www.stedwards.edu/mary-moody-northern-theatre

GPT: Box Office (Nancy) 512-869-7469
www.georgetownpalace.com

RSVP: Online or by email to the chair below to **let us know who is coming to the performance and to dinner.**

Chair: Rinette Seidner
plays@austinnewcomers.com

HOBBIES



Knit and Stitch

When: Thursday, February 1, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Host: Arlene Agree
54 Rainey St., #702, 78701

RSVP: By January 30, email Deborah Marks below

Details: We meet on the first Thursday of each month to knit, crochet, or do laptop needlework projects. Join us for coffee, crafting, and conversation.

Chair: Deborah Marks
dmarksny@aol.com
917-696-3647

Photography

Welcome photographers. The photography interest group meets twice a month, once for a photo shoot, on the second Tuesday and again on the fourth Tuesday for a photo share session. To be added to the email list, please email Dwight Reck, dreck1066@gmail.com.

Photo Shoot: January 9 at the Texas State Capital. Meet in the Rotunda, 10 a.m.

Share Session: Fourth Tuesday of each month
10:30 a.m. socializing
11:00 a.m. share session

Email 6 photos to George McCane at photoman401@gmail.com so he can compile a slide show for all members to enjoy and to offer ideas.

Where: Precision Camera store's classroom, 2438 W. Anderson Lane in the West Anderson Plaza. Optional lunch afterwards at a nearby restaurant.

SHOPPING

Shop Austin! - Book People and Whole Foods

When: Friday, February 23, 10 a.m.

Where: Book People
603 North Lamar Blvd, 78703

Cost: Whatever you purchase and lunch at Whole Foods

RSVP: By February 19, to
cd_gallagher28@hotmail.com

Details: Book People, an Austin landmark, has been Texas' leading independent bookstore since 1970. Located in the heart of downtown, Book People has been Publisher's Weekly Bookstore of the Year and is regularly voted Austin's best bookstore.



We'll learn the history of the store, about some of the important authors who visited there, and about cool upcoming events. We'll have time to roam and shop with a store discount. We'll follow this fun morning with lunch at Whole Foods.

Hosts: Diane Gallagher
cd_gallagher28@hotmail.com
Jan Jones
jones6lp@gmail.com

LANGUAGES/EXPATS

Expats

When: Saturday, February 17, 6-8 p.m.

Where: Brandon and Kathy Jones
10916 Range View Dr., 78730

RSVP: [Online](#) by February 14

Details: We enjoy sharing our overseas experiences, learning about other cultures, and being with members who are from outside the US. If you have to cancel, please notify the host and Ingrid Sarrat so we can notify the waiting list. Please bring a hearty appetizer to share and a beverage of your choice.

Chairs: Ingrid Sarrat
isarratster@gmail.com
Inge Eichberg
inge@austin.rr.com

French Conversation



When: February 14

Where: Home of Isabel Cutillas

RSVP: to Nedra or Isabel before February 14

Details: Discussion topic to be announced.

Chair: Nedra Low, 512-351-9113
nlow@austin.rr.com

Spanish Conversation



When: February 19, 10 a.m.

Where: TBD

RSVP: [Online](#) by February 18

Chair: Susana Surbek, 512-740-2349
susana.surbek@hotmail.com



1st Friday Bridge and Pinochle

Unfortunately, both 1st Friday Bridge and Pinochle interest groups have been disbanded.

FUN AND GAMES

Kitchen Bridge**When:** Wednesday, February 28, 10 a.m.**Where:** Pam VonMende
3314 San Benito Ct., 78732**Cost:** \$2.25**RSVP:** On or after (NOT BEFORE) February 1, [Online](#), or email person provided by chair. After three tables are filled, you will go on sub list.**Details:** All people on the player list will be contacted before the first of the month with the name and contact information of the hostess for the month and the person to email with your RSVP.
Bring a sandwich for lunch.**Chair:** Mimi Rhea
eerhea@att.net
512-491-0744**Bunco****When:** Tuesday, February 20, 10:30 a.m.**Where:** Directions sent to respondents**Cost:** \$5**RSVP:** By January 12, email nferrin5169@gmail.com**Details:** Please contact Connie Gardner if you are interested in joining Bunco as a regular member or substitute.**Chair:** Connie Gardner
peplett@aol.com
915-203-4522**Canasta****When:** Mondays, February 5, 12, 19, 26
11 a.m.**Location:** Mimi's Cafe
12613 Galleria Circle
Hill Country Galleria, Bee Cave**RSVP:** Email
canasta@austinnewcomers.com
the Sunday before each date.**Details:** We meet every Monday for a relaxing day playing a Hand and Foot version of Canasta, which is easy to learn. New players are invited to join in. You're welcome to play as often as you like, every week or just occasionally. We begin at 11:00 a.m., break for lunch about 12:30 p.m., and continue to play afterward. We order from the menu and get separate checks. Join us for a fun day of cards and conversation with a group of interesting ladies.**Cost:** New players pay a one-time fee of \$15 when they join to cover the cost of cards and supplies.**Chair:** Marti Glycer
martiglycer@hotmail.com**3rd Thursday Bridge****When:** February 15, 10 a.m.**Host:** Nancy Cosby**Where:** iHOP
1101 South Mopac**Cost:** \$3.00/person**RSVP:** By January 11, [Online](#) or to
Nancy Cosby below.**Details:** This group of average to expert bridge players enjoys playing together. We like the competition and challenge of party bridge and the opportunity to meet new people. Bridge is open to all.**Chair:** Nancy Cosby
ncosby@flash.net
817-360-0494

FUN AND GAMES, continued

Ladies Poker**When:** February 22, 6:30 p.m.**Where:** Joyce Gioia
7112 Viridian Lane, 78739**Cost:** \$5**RSVP:** [Online](#) or to inge@austin.rr.com by February 20**Chair:** Inge Eichberg
inge@austin.rr.com
512-921-4034**Mah Jongg****When:** Thursday, February 8 and 22, 1 p.m.**Where:** Café Express
3418 North Lamar Blvd.**Details:** This group plays the American Version of Mah Jongg and uses The National Mah Jongg League card. We welcome anyone who is interested to join us.**Chair:** Ruth Ann Plotkin
Ruthann.plotkin@gmail.com
512-582-0957**Mexican Train****When:** Wednesday, February 14**Where:** Jack Allen's Kitchen
3600 N. Capital of Texas Hwy**Cost:** \$2 kitty, lunch on your own**RSVP:** [Online](#) by February 12**Details:** Happy New Year. We are trying a new location. We start play at 11 a.m., break for lunch, and finish by 2 p.m. Mexican Train is fun and easy to learn but has some challenges, Low/high score splits the pot. Please sign up in advance so I can let the venue know. Questions or comments e-mail Peggy.**Chair:** Peggy Sklar
psklar1@gmail.com**Second Sunday Scrabble****When:** Sunday, February 11, 3 - 5 p.m.**Where:** Russell's Bakery & Coffee Bar
3339 Hancock Dr.**RSVP:** By February 9 to sandytzone@juno.com**Details:** Join us for some fun and sample some great food and pastry at this independent Austin business. This group is not competitive.**Chair:** Sandy Longstreth
sandytzone@juno.com**Euchre****When:** No information**Where:** TBD**Cost:** \$5**Chair:** Kasha Petrea
kasha.action@gmail.com
716-308-1986

HEALTH/FITNESS

Happy Trails - Ladybird Lake Boardwalk/Lakeshore Point

When: Saturday, February 17, 9 a.m.

Where: Lakeshore Blvd., east of I35

RSVP: [Online](#) or to Donna Dauenhauer below

Details: Let's take a leisurely walk along Ladybird Lake on the Boardwalk Trail from Lakeshore Point to the Austin American Statesman property. It is an approximate 3-mile round trip walk, lasting about one hour. We will traverse a portion of the 1,700 ft. project that runs from east of Congress Avenue to International Shores Park east of Interstate 35. Leashed dogs are permitted. Bring your cameras for this waterfront promenade and capture some gorgeous skyline views of Austin. Bring water and dress for the weather. After our walk, feel free to explore more of the city on your own.

Chair: Donna Dauenhauer
donnadau@hotmail.com, 512-852-9535

Hearty Hikers - Enchanted Rock, Fredricksburg

When: February 13, 8:30 a.m. departure from Starbucks, next to HEB at Bee Cave Rd and 71

Cost: \$7 park fee or free if you have the state park pass, bring lunch and snacks

RSVP: [Online](#)

Details: Enchanted Rock is a unique pink granite rock dome located about 2 hours away near Fredericksburg, TX. We will carpool to our destination and will hike up the steep granite rock to the summit of the dome. This challenging trail is about 1 mile long. We'll continue to hike along the base trail and around through Turkey Pass back to the starting point for a total of about 4 miles. Some parts of the Pass are narrow and rocky and the views of the Llano Uplift are very beautiful. We will conclude with a picnic lunch before getting back on the road between 1-2 pm to get back to Austin before rush hour. Wear sturdy shoes and layers of clothing as the summit can be windy and chilly. Bring water, sunscreen, hat, sunglasses, and a hiking stick if you have one. Please bring a bag lunch (and snacks for hiking). Restrooms are available in the parking lot near the entrance to the park.

Chair Beth Holcomb, bethholcomb7@gmail.com
908-963-9731

Golfing Around Austin

When: Monday, February 12

Where: Course to be determined

Cost: Greens fees vary, pay at course

RSVP: [Online](#) by Sunday, February 4

Details: The ANC golf group plays the 2d Monday of each month. Starting with the season opener this past September, we have played at Lions, Morris Williams, Shadow Glen, and Grey Rock. We will continue through the Spring introducing Newcomers to the many fine golf courses that can be played year round in the Austin area. We typically play a 4-player team select best-shot scramble, which is fun for all golfers regardless of skill level or handicap. So, don't be bashful to come out and join us.

Chair/Information: John Cates
jwcates3@gmail.com
832-814-8402

MUSIC

Live Music Lovers

When: Wednesday, February 21

Where: El Mercado
13025 First St.

Cost: \$6

RSVP: Email Dona Reynolds at grdr@hotmail.com

Details: Chris Gage will perform 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Chair: Ellen Honey
eshoney10@mac.com
737-703-5248

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RSVP REQUIRED: [Click here](#) or complete form below



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING RESERVATION for February Luncheon

Price: \$30

Register and pay Online before noon on February 19 or register online and send checks payable to Austin Newcomers Club, postmarked by February 16, to Marsha Hayden, 10402 Treasure island Dr., Austin TX 78730

Name(s) _____

Please print

Phone _____

Check one: ☐ Continuing member household ☐ Have not joined yet
☐ 1st dinner/luncheon as member ☐ 2nd dinner/luncheon as member

Austin zip code _____ moved from _____

Guest _____

Please print

We always need greeters at our monthly meetings. It's an easy job and a great way to get acquainted with other Austin Newcomers. Let us know if you are willing to help at this meeting or a future one. The greeter coordinator will call you with additional details.

___ I'm willing to be a greeter at this meeting ___ I'm interested in being a greeter at a future meeting.

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the Weather
Man**

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