



## Rowena Dasch - "The Neill-Cochran House Museum and The Changing Face of Austin" September Meeting/Luncheon

**When:** Wednesday, September 19th

11:00 am - Social hour

12:00 pm - Lunch & program

**What:** September Meeting, Luncheon, Guest Speaker

**Where:** Chez Zee, 5406 Balcones Dr., 78731

**Cost:** \$30/person

**RSVP:** Before noon, September 17. Pay [online](#) or mail in reservation form by Sept. 13.(located on page 14) and check .



Rowena Houghton Dasch

Anyone who has ever visited Hyde Park, Travis Heights or Clarksville knows that Austin is full of beautiful (or funky) historic homes. At our September luncheon, we're lucky enough to have Rowena Dasch, PhD, who is Executive Director of one of the best - the Neill-Cochran House Museum - as our speaker. The Neill-

Cochran is a magnificent 1856 landmark in downtown Austin and Rowena is a native Texan descended from 3 of Stephen F. Austin's original 300 settlers. Come let Rowena captivate you with lots of fascinating Austin history and some true, tall tales about the experiences of some of our city's earliest residents. In addition, Rowena will also bring news of a very special exhibit coming to the Neill Cochran. It's a show featuring the work of a remarkable 1900's Impressionist painter named Anna Stanley. She was every bit as good as Mary Cassatt and you've probably never heard of her--don't you wonder why? Come find out.

## Welcome Party for New & Prospective Members

**When:** Sunday, September 30

**Where:** Carl and Diane Gallagher's home in Southwest Austin  
Directions will be sent after registration.

**Cost:** Free

**RSVP:** Online

**Details:** Come and meet fellow Austin Newcomers, board members and our many interest group chairs and learn about all we have to offer our members each month.

Couples please bring a hearty appetizer AND a beverage to share. Singles please bring a hearty appetizer OR a beverage to share. Contact Monica Boyle at [memberservices@austinnewcomers.com](mailto:memberservices@austinnewcomers.com) or leave a message at 512-894-2604 and your call will be returned.



*Happy Hour in July. Food, fun, great conversations, and learning can be found at our Newcomers' events..*

## President's Message

Hello Newcomers,

Our club is a 'treasure' because it has so many interesting activities offered by over 40 interest groups. When I saw this inspirational message, I wanted to share with you how our club aligns with these tips"

### Tips for Exploring a New City

Explore the **local cuisine**.

Travel with only a **backpack**.

Wander without a **tour book**.

Study the **language**.

Hang With the **locals**.

Look at the list of interest groups that explore the **local cuisine**. Monthly Luncheon, Lunch Bunch, Happy Hour, Bring a Plate-Come to Dinner, Friends Connection and TGI

Social. I would guess almost every interest group we have, has a snack or luncheon component to the meeting.

If you participate in the activities of these groups - Photography, Austin 101, and Hello Austin, it's possible to show up and travel with only a **backpack**. Daytrippers, Happy Trails, Hearty Hikers, Art Treks and certain Hello Austin events are groups that wander without a **tour book**.

It's no secret that Texas has its own **language**, but at ANC we can study languages at ExPats, French Conversation, Spanish Conversation and all the movie and book groups. I can't think of a better way to **hang with the locals** than attending Golfing Around Austin, Music events, Hello Austin, Austin 101 and the many card and game interest groups we offer.

I hope you are getting excited about all the different activities offered each month. However, if there is some activity we are missing and you have an idea for a new group, you can submit your idea to [president@austinnewcomers.com](mailto:president@austinnewcomers.com) and I will make sure the ANC Board considers your request. If the ANC Board approves your interest group activity, it will be added to our calendar of events.

This is my pick for a must do event for **August**: Hello Austin Planning Party August 19th

And these are my picks for must do events for **September**:

—Welcome Party for New & Prospective Members-Sunday, September 30.

—Monthly Meeting with guest speaker Rowena Dasch representing the Neill-Cochran House Museum, Wednesday, September 19.



*Valerie*

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### September Board Meeting

**When:** Wednesday, September 5  
Social—10; meeting—10:30

**Where:** Gail Wilson  
4009 Varner Ct, 78732

**RSVP:** Monday, September 3  
[valerie.ojeman@gmail.com](mailto:valerie.ojeman@gmail.com)  
[gailwilson@austin.rr.com](mailto:gailwilson@austin.rr.com)



## BOOK GROUPS

### Bluebonnet and Yellow Rose Book Clubs

**When:** Thursday, September 27, 10:00 a.m.

**Details:** Books are chosen annually in the fall. Both groups read the selected book of the month then meet in separate locations on the fourth Thursday of the month. Open to all members of Austin Newcomers Club., there is no cost. If you would like to join, please contact Gayle Cannon, [gayle.cannon70@gmail.com](mailto:gayle.cannon70@gmail.com)

#### 2018 Books

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

**October** - *The Underground Railroad*, Colson Whitehead

**November** - No Meeting

**December** - *Exit West*, Moshin Hamid

#### Bluebonnet Group

**Host:** Farida Vendal  
5919 Bold Ruler Way  
78748

**RSVP:** Contact Farida  
[javidvendal@hotmail.com](mailto:javidvendal@hotmail.com)  
or call at 512-608-1956

**Chairs:** Jayne Polly  
[jpolly3838@gmail.com](mailto:jpolly3838@gmail.com)  
Alison Seaman  
[alisonseaman@yahoo.com](mailto:alisonseaman@yahoo.com)  
Dina Steiner  
[dinasteiner@gmail.com](mailto:dinasteiner@gmail.com)



#### Yellow Rose Group

**Host:** Lynn Davis  
3702 Terrina St. No. 14  
78759

**RSVP:** Contact Lynn  
[elcdavis@sbcglobal.net](mailto:elcdavis@sbcglobal.net)  
or call 512-368-5660

**Chairs:** Gayle Cannon  
[gayle.cannon70@gmail.com](mailto:gayle.cannon70@gmail.com)  
Lou Blemaster  
[loublemaster@gmail.com](mailto:loublemaster@gmail.com)

### Afternoon Mystery Book Group

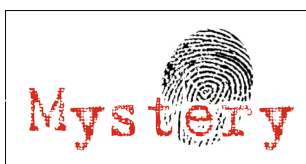
**When:** Wednesday, Sept 12, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

**Host:** Karen Kirmis  
2700 Bartons Bluff Lane, Austin 78746

**RSVP:** By Monday, Sept 10. to [kkirmis@gmail.com](mailto:kkirmis@gmail.com)

**Details:** Will be discussing *Bluebird, Bluebird* by Attica Lock

**Chair:** Susan Nichols  
[sunichols222@gmail.com](mailto:sunichols222@gmail.com)



### Men's Book Club

**When:** September 25, 2:00 p.m.

**Host:** Jim McClam  
7113 Doswell Lane, 78739

**RSVP:** Not required

**Details:** Book to be discussed: "Genghis Khan and the making of the modern world" by Jack Weatherford. Weatherford's lively analysis restores the Mongol's reputation, and it takes wonderful learned detours. Well written and full of surprises.

**Chair:** Hector Barrio  
[hebate@gmail.com](mailto:hebate@gmail.com)

## MOVIES

**Art House Cinema North****When:** Friday, September 14 7:15pm**Cost:** \$1.00/person at the door**RSVP:** RSVP to email sent to group each month. No deadline but there is a limit to meeting size. If you are new sign up [online](#).**Details:** Each month the group selects a film to see before the next meeting. We see the film and then discuss as a group on the 2nd Friday 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 they need.**Chair:** Beth Knight, [knightfe57@hotmail.com](mailto:knightfe57@hotmail.com)  
Joel Longstreth, [sandytzone@juno.com](mailto:sandytzone@juno.com)**Cinema South****When:** Friday, September 14 or 28, 7 p.m.**Cost:** \$1/person at the door**RSVP:** All members currently on the Art House Cinema South email list will receive an email with details about this event. If you are new, sign up online. Meetings fill up fast so RSVP as soon as possible.**Details:** We meet at homes of members and discuss and rate two movies selected in the previous month. Members choose to attend one of two meetings each month, on either the second or fourth Friday. Each host sets the maximum capacity they can accommodate. Details of meetings will be sent ahead of meeting dates via email once first timers have responded via online and then have been added to the email list.**Chair:** David/Joan Saidel  
[dpsaidel@gmail.com](mailto:dpsaidel@gmail.com)  
512-632-1305**Critics' Corner****When:** September 14, 7:30 p.m.**Details:** Critics' Corner meets at 7:30 on the second Friday of each month. Our first meeting of the new season will be on the 14th of September at 7:30pm. Details of the upcoming gathering, including meeting location and movie selection, are emailed to group participants prior to the meeting. Members see the movie on their own, then meet at the designated member's house for a discussion of the movie. All attendees are asked to bring a hearty appetizer or dessert and a beverage. Visitors are welcome. Email Tom Taylor for information.**Chair:** Tom Taylor  
[tomtaylor9@gmail.com](mailto:tomtaylor9@gmail.com)  
214-642-3873



## AROUND AND ABOUT AUSTIN

### Art Treks

#### Watercoloring Lessons by Sue Taylor

**When:** Monday, September 24 10:00-12:30 p.m.

**Where:** Karen Werner,  
358 Desert Willow Way  
817-896-4905

**Cost:** \$20

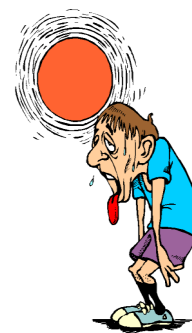
**RSVP:** By September 21.  
Please send check to Karen Werner

**Details:** Back by popular demand. Sue Taylor will demonstrate how to paint a lovely watercolor. Those who have attended her class are amazed at their work of art. No prior experience necessary. There will be drinks and food available while painting. Please join the fun.

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

### Daytrippers

It's still too hot to go exploring the Texas countryside, so there won't be a Daytrippers outing in September. Keep your eye out for the October issue which will have details on our next great adventure.



By the way, if you've heard about an interesting destination you'd like to visit or there's a past Daytrippers' outing that you'd like to see repeated, please feel free to shoot me an email with any and all suggestions. Thanks...and see you in October! Susi

**Chairs:** Susi Spies, [susi.spies@gmail.com](mailto:susi.spies@gmail.com)  
Dale Truitt, [daledtruitt@gmail.com](mailto:daledtruitt@gmail.com)

### Hello Austin—Fareground Food Hall

**When:** September 9, 5-8 p.m.

**Where:** Fareground, 111 Congress, Austin

**RSVP:** [Online](http://Online) or Pattie Schieck  
[pattie@pattiewebster.com](mailto:pattie@pattiewebster.com)

**Cost:** Pay at event

**Details:** Come join us at Austin's hottest new restaurant venue- Fareground Food Hall. An upscale adult version of a teenage hang zone at the mall food court. With plenty of communal seating and a central bar, it's Austin dining in a nutshell. The food hall features six local vendors, each with one-of-a-kind concepts as well as the central Fareground Bar. The restaurants - Contigo, Dai Due, Easy Tiger, Henbit, Ni Kome, and Antonelli's Cheese are uniquely Austin. These upscale restaurants are getting rave reviews. Parking is tight, so we advise carpool or Uber. There is street parking and several garages within walking distance.

**Chair:** Pattie Schieck  
[pattie@pattiewebster.com](mailto:pattie@pattiewebster.com)

### Austin 101-Zilker Botanical Garden

**When:** Sunday, September 23,

**Where:** Zilker Park, Main Ent,  
2220 Barton Springs Rd.

**RSVP:** Email Janna Smith  
[jannaks55@gmail.com](mailto:jannaks55@gmail.com)



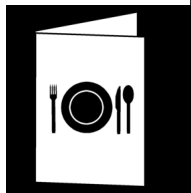
**Cost:** Garden Admissions \$3, \$1 for ages 62 and older. There will be an additional minimal fee if we are able to schedule a docent-led tour. Please note that the Garden accepts only cash.

**Details:** If you love gardening – or love enjoying someone else's gardening – join us for a visit to the Zilker Botanical Garden. Zilker Park has been called "the jewel in the heart of Austin". Theme gardens such as rose, herb, and Japanese gardens are interconnected with streams, waterfalls and Koi-filled ponds. The Hartman Prehistoric Garden also recreates a local dinosaur habitat.

**Chair:** Janna Smith  
[jannaks55@gmail.com](mailto:jannaks55@gmail.com)

## FOOD/SOCIAL

## Out-to-Lunch Bunch Lauderette



**When:** Friday, September 28th at 11:30

**Where:** Launderette, 2115 Holly Street  
Austin, 78702

**RSVP:** Online or to [susi.spies@gmail.com](mailto:susi.spies@gmail.com)  
Reservation for first 15 responses then a waitlist.

**Price:** Separate checks.

**Details:** What? We went there LAST month! No, we actually didn't. Launderette turned out to be a very popular choice, but so many people moaned that they'd be out of town in late August that we decided to move the Launderette venue to September. If you have already RSVP'd for the August Launderette, you don't need to RSVP again. I'll follow up with all previous responders by email to confirm that you can still come. However, if you haven't already responded, do so. The 15-person maximum will fill up fast. Apologies to those who wanted to come in August and got cancelled and welcome to everyone who'll be attending in September. See you at Launderette on September 28th.

**Chair:** Susi Spies, [susi.spies@gmail.com](mailto:susi.spies@gmail.com)

## TGI Social (Thank Goodness It's Social)

**When:** Saturday, Sept. 29, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Nancy & Elliott Kossak  
7707 Huddleston Lane, 78745

**Price:** \$1/person at door for paper goods

**RSVP:** Online or [tgisocial@austinnewcomers.com](mailto:tgisocial@austinnewcomers.com)

**Details:** It is T.G.I. Social and we are welcoming the "cool" Fall season. Couples and Singles come to make new friends and reconnect with old friends, kick back and relax. Couples bring a hearty appetizer and your drink of choice (wine, beer, lemonade, tea, etc. ) to share. Singles bring a hearty appetizer or your drink of choice to share.

**Chairs:** Janie and Jim McClam  
[jlmccclam@icloud.com](mailto:jlmccclam@icloud.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.

Contact the chair to be placed on the list to receive a 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](mailto:Lmarcus08@gmail.com)

## Happy Hour—Cheesecake Factory

**When:** Tuesday, September 18 4-6 p.m.

**Where:** Barton Springs Creek Mall  
2901 So Cap of Tx Hwy

**Price:** Cost of food and drinks, separate checks.

**RSVP:** Online

**Chairs:** Charlie Brown  
[Charlieb7127@gmail.com](mailto:Charlieb7127@gmail.com)  
Saj Maqsood  
[sajidmaqsood@gmail.com](mailto:sajidmaqsood@gmail.com)

**Note:** Ed and Carolina Holme have the shawl that was left at Happy Hour at Cover 3.

## FOOD/SOCIAL (continued)

### Friends Connection

**When:** Sunday, September 16, 1:30 p.m.

**Where:** Eberly Restaurant, 615 South Lamar, 78704  
Contemporary American cuisine served in a relaxing atmosphere.

**Cost:** Separate checks, medium price range

**RSVP:** [Online](#)

**Details:** Friends Connection - a great place for singles (or not) to meet, get to know one another, and try interesting restaurants in the Austin area. We usually meet about every other month for a late brunch on Sundays which means we have less traffic and the restaurant environments are a little more relaxed. Please join us for another delicious meal enjoyed with old and new friends.

**Chair:** Lynne Davis  
[elcdavis@sbcglobal.net](mailto:elcdavis@sbcglobal.net), 512-368-5660

## MUSIC

### Live Music—The Blues Specialists

**When:** September 7, 6:30 p.m.

**Where:** The Continental Club  
1315 S Congress Ave., Austin, 78704

**Cost:** Cost of drinks/food. No cover.  
Please tip the band.

**RSVP:** [Online](#)

**Details:** The Blues Specialists is an Austin, TX based band established by two of Austin's Blues legends TD Bell and Erbie Bowser (both deceased). The band has been in existence for 28 years. The style of music is traditional Texas jump blues with a tinge of jazz.

**Chair:** Ellen Honey  
[eshoney10@mac.com](mailto:eshoney10@mac.com)  
737-703-5248



## Welcome New Members

**Mark & Gay Lynn Cowan**  
512-923-2983  
[gaylynncowan@yahoo.com](mailto:gaylynncowan@yahoo.com)  
From: Wichita KS

**Ann and Dennis Fenerty**  
8607 Moccasin Path 78736  
203-913-9534  
[annfenerty@gmail.com](mailto:annfenerty@gmail.com)  
From: New Fairfield, CT

**Karo Pei Tsai**  
900 Quest Pkwy, Cedar Park 78613  
626-818-0398  
[peitsai@kw.com](mailto:peitsai@kw.com)  
From: Pasadena, CA

**Robert Nutt and Susan Holland**  
4000 Travis Country Circle 78735  
512-554-9841  
[susan\\_holland2@yahoo.com](mailto:susan_holland2@yahoo.com)

**Frank Merriman**  
1601 Houston Street #4 78756  
512-968-2500  
[drfrank1028@me.com](mailto:drfrank1028@me.com)

**Edward Becka**  
7201 R.R 2222, Apt 2220 78730  
512-284-8821  
[edwardbecka208@gmail.com](mailto:edwardbecka208@gmail.com)  
From: North Carolina

**Clare Smith**  
603-801-1961  
[claresmith5858@gmail.com](mailto:claresmith5858@gmail.com)

## HOBBIES

## Knit and Stitch

**When:** Thursday, September 6, 10 a.m. - Noon  
**Host:** Elizabeth Meek  
 5772 Gorham Glen Lane, Austin, 78739  
**RSVP:** By September 4 [online](#) or to Deborah Marks, [dmarksny@aol.com](mailto:dmarksny@aol.com).  
 Space is limited.



**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](mailto:dmarksny@aol.com)



## Photography Group Visits Camp Mabry

**When:** September 11, 10:30 a.m.  
**Where:** Texas Military Forces Museum, Camp Mabry  
*(The Museum is about 1/2 mile inside the base. The entrance is a little west of Exposition and is well marked. You will be asked to show a driver's license or other ID to enter Camp Mabry.)*

**Details:** If you have any kind of camera, including cell-phone cameras, you're welcome to join us as we visit the Texas Military Forces Museum on the grounds of Camp Mabry. We'll meet at the Information Desk inside the Museum at 10:30. Just for fun, we'll try to create photographs that could be used to promote the Museum. The Museum contains a wide variety of vintage hardware, models, a cockpit that you can sit in, and much more. Next to the museum is a row of tanks. Elsewhere on the grounds are the aircraft that we see from MoPac.

**RSVP:** Not necessary  
**Chair:** Bernie Mayoff  
[bernie@mayoff.com](mailto:bernie@mayoff.com), 512-296-2313

## PhotoShare



**When:** September 25, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
 Conversation 10:30 am.

Share 11:00.

We often adjourn to lunch afterwards

**Where:** Precision Camera store classroom,  
 2438 W. Anderson Lane

**RSVP:** Submission requirements will be sent to Photography Group members in mid-September

**Details:** Photographers and those who love them, join us as we share photos from this month's PhotoShoot. Everyone is welcome, whether you take pictures with your phone, a hand-me-down camera, or the latest high end equipment and software. You don't even have to share any pictures at all. Your family may not appreciate your works of art, but we will. Information on submitting pictures will be sent to our e-mail list in mid-September. To join our e-mail list, send a note to Bernie Mayoff, [bernie@mayoff.com](mailto:bernie@mayoff.com)

**Chair:** Bernie Mayoff, [bernie@mayoff.com](mailto:bernie@mayoff.com)



## LANGUAGES/EXPATS

### Expats

**When:** September 15, 6 - 8 p.m.

**Where:** Gail and Bill Sofer  
4401 Balcones Dr. 78731

**RSVP:** Online by September 10.

**Details:** If you enjoy sharing your overseas experience and making new friends with like-minded people, this might be a group for you to try. We enjoy healthy food, talking about current events, socializing and making new friends.

**Chairs:** Sharon King, sharonktraveler@gmail.com  
Norman Allen, allen2030@gmail.com

### French Conversation

**When:** Wednesday, September 12 - 12:30 pm

**Where:** Chez Cavin



**RSVP:** By September 7  
Deborah Cavin  
[dccavin@hotmail.com](mailto:dccavin@hotmail.com)

**Details:** This month's topic: "What summery place, event, or experience would you recommend to group members?" The group is at or near capacity, but newcomers are welcome to e-mail the hostess above by September 7 to ask whether space is available.

**Chair:** Nedra Low, 512-351-9113  
[nlow@austin.rr.com](mailto:nlow@austin.rr.com)



### Spanish Conversation

**When:** Monday, September 17, 10:00 a.m.

**Where:** Lola Savanaah  
6317 Bee Caves Road, No. 380, 78746

**RSVP:** Online by September 16.

**Chair:** Susana Surbek, 512-740-2349  
[susana.surbek@hotmail.com](mailto:susana.surbek@hotmail.com)



## FUN AND GAMES

**Kitchen Bridge****When:** Wednesday, September 26**Where:** Marilyn Calhoun  
Scotland Wells 78753**Cost:** \$2.25 paid at meeting**RSVP:** Email [calron1@att.net](mailto:calron1@att.net) on or after (NOT before) September 1. After three tables are filled, you will go on the sub list.**Details:** All people on the player list will be contacted before the first of the month with the name and the contact information for the hostess of the month and to email with your RSVP. Bring a sandwich for lunch.**Chair:** Hansa Nasta  
[hnasta@yahoo.com](mailto:hnasta@yahoo.com)  
512-328-1886**Bunco****When:** September 18, 2018 10:30-1:00**Where:** Donna Burgess**Cost:** \$5**RSVP:** By September 14 to [dlburgess@austin.rr.com](mailto:dlburgess@austin.rr.com)  
Directions will be given when you respond.**Details:** If you are interested in joining Bunco as a regular member or substitute, contact Connie.**Chair:** Connie Gardner  
[peplett@aol.com](mailto:peplett@aol.com)  
915-203-4522**Daytime Buddy Bridge****Details:** Welcome 2018-2019 Buddy Bridge teams! Sign-up is over for this year but we always welcome subs, so please contact us and let us know if you would like to participate. The Buddy Bridge teams are assigned a different team to play each month and these two teams chose a mutually agreeable date to play. These small groups of four are a wonderful way to get to know one another. Please call or email Sandi or Cathy for details.**Cost:** \$15**Chairs:** Cathy Cotter, [catcot72@gmail.com](mailto:catcot72@gmail.com)  
512-465-9472  
Sandi Ladd, [sladdtx@gmail.com](mailto:sladdtx@gmail.com)  
512-250-9339**Canasta****When:** Mondays, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.**Where:** Café Blue (new location)  
12800 Hill Country Blvd., G-115  
Hill Country Galleria, Bee Cave**RSVP:** Sunday before game day  
[canasta@austinnewcomers.com](mailto:canasta@austinnewcomers.com)**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](mailto:martiglycer@hotmail.com)**3rd Thursday Bridge****When:** Thursday, September 20**Where:** IHOP  
1101 South Mopac**Host:** Nancy Cosby**Cost:** \$3.00/person**RSVP:** Email Nancy Cosby.**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](mailto:ncosby@flash.net), or 817-360-0494

## FUN AND GAMES, continued



Sharon Lindemann was quite happy with this hand.

### Ladies Poker

**When:** September 27 at 6:30

**Where:** 5221 Trading Bend

**Cost:** \$5

**RSVP:** Text or e-mail Inge by September 26.

**Chair:** Inge Eichberg  
[inge@austin.rr.com](mailto:inge@austin.rr.com), 512-921-4034

### Mah Jongg

**When:** Second and fourth  
 Thursday, September 13 & 27, 1 p.m.

**Where:** Café Express  
 3418 North Lamar Blvd.

**Cost:** Free

**Registration:** No registration necessary.



**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:** Marsha Hoffer  
[mhoffer@gmail.com](mailto:mhoffer@gmail.com)

### Mexican Train



**When:** September 12, 11a.m.—2p.m.

**Cost:** \$2.00 (Separate checks for lunch)

**RSVP:** [Online](#), by September 9. Limit of 12 players.

**Details:** 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 the head count. Questions or comments? E-mail Eugenie  
[eswhalen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:eswhalen@sbcglobal.net).

**Chair:** Eugenie Whalen  
[eswhalen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:eswhalen@sbcglobal.net)

### Second Sunday Scrabble

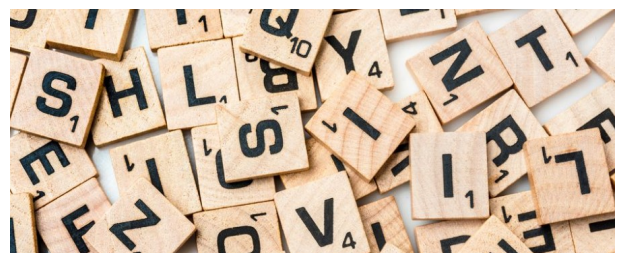
**When:** 3 - 5 p.m.

**Where:** Russell's Bakery & Coffee Bar  
 3339 Hancock Dr., 78731

**RSVP:** To Sandy at 513-293-5523

**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](mailto:sandytzone@juno.com)



## HEALTH/FITNESS

## Happy Trails - Mary Moore Searight

**When:** Saturday, September 22, 9:00 a.m.

**Where:** Mary Moore Searight: Metro Loop Trail  
407 Slaughter Lane

**Cost:** Free

**RSVP:** [Online](#) or email [donnadau@hotmail.com](mailto:donnadau@hotmail.com).

**Details:** On this first day of Autumn, we are going to head to southeast Austin for a lovely walk. Set back from Slaughter Lane, Mary Moore Searight Metropolitan Park is 344 acres of fields, trees and wildlife. The park is the lasting legacy of its namesake. The city of Austin purchased 88 acres from Searight using a Texas Parks and Wildlife

Department grant. Searight donated an additional 206 acres. The city named the park after her in November 1988. Newspaper articles at the time had compared the acquisition's significance to that of Zilker Park. This is a very picturesque walk where many of the live oaks are festooned with Spanish moss. We will walk a 2.4 mile lollipop loop on this very easy dirt and asphalt trail. Leashed dogs are permitted. As always, please bring water, wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather. Part of this trail is in full sun so remember sunscreen and hats.

**Chair:** Donna Dauenhauer  
[donnadau@hotmail.com](mailto:donnadau@hotmail.com)

## Hearty Hikers - Barton Creek Trail

**When:** September 26, 9:30 a.m.

Hearty Hikers is now meeting on the **fourth Wednesday** of the month

**Where:** Meet at Laurie's house: 5400 Travis Green Lane in Travis Country at 9:30 a.m.

**Details:** This is a moderate hike though a wooded trail to Barton Creek and back again. Sturdy shoes, sunscreen, hat, water and a walking stick are always recommended. After the hike, we'll meet at *MADgreens*, 5601 Brodie Lane, for a well-deserved healthy & tasty lunch.

**Cost:** Free

**RSVP:** [laurdon@flash.net](mailto:laurdon@flash.net)

Please leave your name and a cell number to contact you if necessary.

**Chair:** Laurie Zahn, [laurdon@flash.net](mailto:laurdon@flash.net)  
Dana Thor, [danathor@gmail.com](mailto:danathor@gmail.com)

## Golfing Around Austin

**When:** Monday, September 10

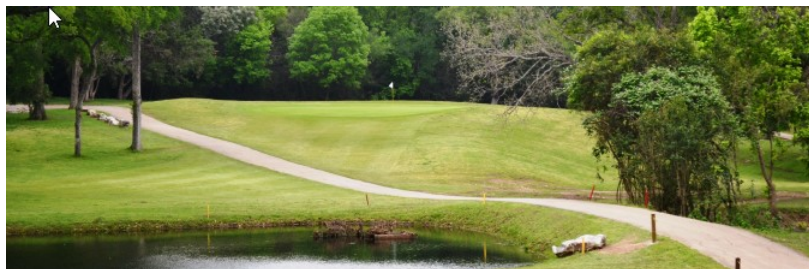
**Where:** Course to be determined

**Cost:** Greens fees vary, pay at course

**RSVP:** By Sunday, September 2, [online](#)

**Details:** Hope everyone had a nice summer and is looking forward to playing some golf this fall hopefully in a little cooler weather. Our first play date after the summer break is scheduled for Monday, September 10, 2018. As in the past, we will play a select best ball scramble which everyone regardless of playing level seems to enjoy. Please RSVP online by Sunday, September 2. Also, if you have any questions about the ANC golfing group or in general about playing golf in Austin, please email or call me.

**Chair/Information:** John Cates  
[jwcates3@gmail.com](mailto:jwcates3@gmail.com)  
832-814-8402



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<b>30</b> <a href="#">New Members Party</a>						



## Taking Care of Business.....



Clip and mail

## September 19 Luncheon Reservation

**Price:** \$30 per person payable online—deadline noon, September 17  
or

Send this reservation form and a check payable to Austin Newcomers Club.

Mail to Marsha Hayden, 10402 Treasure Island Dr., Austin 78730. Mail should be posted by September 13.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Guest \_\_\_\_\_

*Members with dietary restrictions: An alternative menu option is available at regular monthly luncheon meetings. NOTICE IS REQUIRED WITH THE RSVP. Please include specific information regarding your restrictions. YOU ARE FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR MENU SUBSTITUTIONS MADE AT THE EVENT.*

## Has your membership expired?

We don't want you to miss out on any Newcomers' events. Here's how you can renew.

Online renewal is the optimal choice, but if you choose to pay by check, please mail it to:

Marsha Hayden

10402 Treasure Island Drive

Austin, Texas 78730

If you have any questions, email [vpmembership@austinnewcomers.com](mailto:vpmembership@austinnewcomers.com).

## Wanted: Interest Group Photos

We want photos of Newcomers' events for the *Welcome Mat*, Instagram and the 2018-19 Yearbook

Please submit photos of your interest group events to [historian@austinnewcomers.com](mailto:historian@austinnewcomers.com).



Top: Out-to-Lunch Bunch

Left: July Happy Hour

### Austin Newcomers Treasurer's Report

12 Months ending June 30, 2018	Final	Approved	
	12 Month	12 Month	Variance
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual vs Budget</u>
Beginning Bank Balance	<u>13,713</u>	<u>13,713</u>	<u>F/(U)</u>
Dues	17,191	17,667	(476)
Luncheon Receipts	13,863	17,334	(3,471)
Craft Show Exhibitors	210		210
50/50 receipts	555	680	(125)
Other ANC Events	<u>2,491</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>(2,509)</u>
Total Deposits	<u>34,311</u>	<u>40,682</u>	<u>(6,370)</u>
<u>Expenses</u>			
Newsletter Printing	1,088	3,588	2,500
Welcome Mat Postage	717	1,168	451
Luncheon	13,005	16,760	3,755
Discretionary Luncheon Fund	224	500	276
luncheon 50/50 exp	0	680	680
Luncheon - Program	0	250	250
Luncheon - Speakers	196	150	(46)
All Member Party	3,080	3,000	(80)
Liability Insurance	806	806	-
Membership Supplies	27	200	173
Membership Parties (3)	91	160	69
Office Supplies	117	150	33
Presidents Fund	913	1,000	87
Presidents Gift	250	250	-
P.O. Box Rent	140	132	(8)
Stamps	30	50	20
Publicity/Website	386	2,500	2,114
MFM Web Hosting Expense	883	884	1
Web Support	1,610	1,200	(410)
Website Security Contract (2yr)	140	140	0
Other ANC Expenses	2,549	5,000	2,451
Presidents Scrapbook	110	300	190
Sunshine Fund	100	200	100
Misc. Exp	5	150	145
Discretionary Fund	<u>0</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>350</u>
Total Expenses	<u>26,467</u>	<u>39,568</u>	<u>13,101</u>
Income	<u>7,844</u>	<u>1,114</u>	<u>6,730</u>
Ending Balance Bank Account	<u>21,557</u>	<u>14,827</u>	<u>6,730</u>
Savings Account Balance	<u>8,488</u>	<u>8,486</u>	<u>2</u>
Total Assets	<u>30,045</u>	<u>23,313</u>	<u>6,733</u>



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*Thank you.*