



This Friday the 13th will be the most fun filled, electrifying, memorable evening of your life! Save the date...

**Friday, March 13**

**6:00 to 9:00 PM**

You'll enjoy music, gourmet food, cocktails and interactive activities to learn more about your benefits and APGM!

Oh! Did we mention it is COMPLIMENTARY? It is!!!

RSVP to Amy at **512.258.1621**, and also let us know if you would like us to extend a personal invitation to your friends or neighbors to attend the "Mix It Up" with you.

Balcones Country Club's  
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## Pasta Night

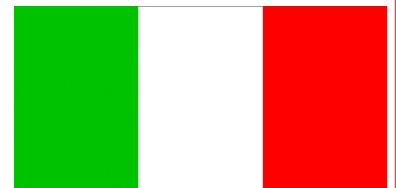
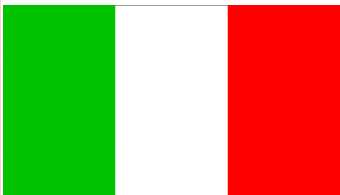
All you can eat buffet

Starting this Tuesday the Rio will  
be transformed into Little Italy

5:00 - 9:00 pm

\$11.95 per adults++ \$4.95 per child ++

Our Executive Chef along with his culinary team will create an Italian Feast right before your eyes!



# the Party Planner

... set your date  
Celebrate at Balcones Country Club,

## AWARD BANQUETS, END OF THE YEAR FESTIVITIES, SOCIALS...



Whether you're involved with the Swim Team, Band, Math Club or Track,  
let us host your team's special night.



## WE HAVE SPECIAL MENU PACKAGES WITH OUR LOCAL SCHOOLS IN MIND.

Refer your team to B.C.C. and mention the Tempo's "Party Planner" and you will receive a Dinner for Two!

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE YOUR NEXT EVENT,**

contact Erin Wise at 258.1621 ext. 232 or ewise@balconescountryclub.com

## SPRING FLING

### BCCWA FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE

MUSIC BY TEXAS CRUDE

Friday, April 3rd 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm

COME EARLY TO ENJOY ONE OF BALCONES GREAT DINNER SPECIALS

BCC MEMBER \$5.00 per person

GUESTS WELCOME \$10.00 per person

RESERVATIONS 258-1621

SPONSORED BY THE BCC  
WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

## Couples Counseling

Couples Golf Instruction

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month

3:00-4:00 PM

Cost \$10 per Couple

Instruction for couples that are tired of HIM telling HER how to do it  
and for HIM when SHE won't listen

Constructive instruction to help each other play better and have more fun

Caddies welcome

Divorce Attorneys not welcome

## Balcones Country Club Women's Association

Our Scholarship committee is beginning to start the process of student selection for our scholarships. This is a very big process and one of great rewards. The amount of money to be given this year has not yet been determined but I can assure you it will be more than any year in the past, a very exciting time for us.

Our March luncheon program will be "Austin Incredible Chainsaw Carvings." Many of you may have seen the article in the Austin American Statesman about this man. He makes clever and artsy characters from tree trunks. I'm sure this will prove to be an exciting and informative program.

Friday April 3, 2009, BCCWA will sponsor another dance with our own Texas Crude band providing great dance music. There will be a special menu from our chef for this event. These dances are so fun and all BCC members are certainly invited. Be sure and watch the tempo calendar and e-mails for more information.

On April 22, Wednesday we are doing our first evening event, a fashion show. Gift Solutions will be presenting fashions for spring. This is going to be a very big evening. We will be hosting a reception for our Scholarship recipients and all BCC women will be invited to attend. More information will be coming with more details. Be sure and save the date.

Hope to see you soon at our luncheons.

Phyllis Janson

From Jim Morgan, General Manager



We just passed our 1 month anniversary with APGM. I have heard many positive comments from the membership regarding the change at the club. Our goal, as staff, is to make sure we are making improvements every day. The steps will be small at first but we will make sure those steps are always moving forward.

Make sure you mark the date of March 13<sup>th</sup> on your calendars. This is the date for the Balcones Mix It Up. This will be a party you cannot afford to miss. You will be exposed to all the new programs the club will be offering along with the "Clubs Within a Club". To find out what this is you have to come that evening. Tony and his culinary team will prepare food for your palate and that alone will make the evening great.

If you would like to invite a guest to join you that evening, let us know and we will extend a personal invitation. This will be a perfect time to show what Balcones has to offer.

Thank you for your patience in this time of transition. It is a learning experience for members and staff alike but it is the most exciting time at Balcones since I joined the staff...and it will only get better!!!

Jim Morgan

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## Chix with Stix

Happy Hour Golf

Ladies and their guests

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month

5:30 – 7:00 PM

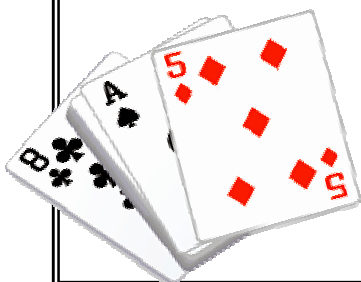
Cost \$15 per student (includes cocktails)

This clinic is designed for beginners and recreational golfers to learn the ropes in a non-competitive social setting. Instruction is fun and informative and will cover all aspects of the game.

Know when to hold 'em  
no when to fold em

Join the BCC Ladies' Card  
Club

On the 2nd and 4th  
Thursdays of the Month



# Ladies' Night Wednesday, March 11, 2009 Learn and Play Texas Hold'em

### HOURS OF OPERATION

Balcones Clubhouse and Facilities Closed Monday

Spicewood Clubhouse and Facilities Closed Tuesday

#### Balcones Rio Grande Restaurant

Monday & Saturday .....	Closed
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday .....	11:00am ~ 9:00pm
Sunday .....	10:30am ~ 2:00pm

#### Balcones 19th Hole Bar

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday .....	11:00am ~ 12:00am
Saturday .....	8:30am ~ 9:00pm
Sunday .....	8:30am ~ 9:00pm

#### Spicewood Grill

Tuesday .....	Closed
Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday .....	10:00am ~ 5:00pm
Friday .....	10:00am ~ 5:00pm
Saturday .....	7:30am ~ 6:00pm
Sunday .....	7:30am ~ 6:00pm

#### Balcones Golf Shop

Tuesday ~ Sunday .....	8:00am ~ 7:00pm
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#### Spicewood Golf Shop

Wednesday ~ Monday .....	8:00am ~ 7:00pm
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#### Balcones Driving Range

Tuesday ~ Saturday .....	7:00am ~ 7:00pm
Sunday .....	7:00am ~ 6:30pm

#### Spicewood Driving Range

Monday ~ Sunday .....	8:00am ~ 7:00pm
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**Balcones and Spicewood Pools Closed for Season**

## From Chef Tony...

### Recipe of the Month

#### Grilled Tri Tip Roast

Tri Tip is a nicely marbled, tender, and one of the most flavorful cuts of beef you'll find, moderately priced. Costco carries Tri Tips in bulk, but they freeze well. One tri tip roast feeds 3-5 people, cut thin an across the grain of the meat.

#### Recipe

**2 Tri Tips (untrimmed preferable)**  
**5 whole lemons**  
**Montreal seasoning salt (season heavily)**  
**4 shots tequila (optional)**  
**1 heavy duty zip lock bag**

#### Method

**Place tri tips in zip lock**  
**Add juice and peels of whole lemons and tequila**  
**Liberal season with Montreal seasoning**  
**Let marinate over night**

#### Grilling

**Grill on low-med temperature with fat side up**  
**Avoid over-flipping (turning)**  
**Internal temps mid-rare 140 medium 150**  
**Mid-well 160**  
**Wrap with foil and allow 20 minute of rest time**  
**after meats off the grill.**

## Chix with Stix

Happy Hour Golf

Ladies and their guests  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month  
5:30 – 7:00 PM

Cost \$15 per student (includes cocktails)  
This clinic is designed for beginners and recreational golfers to learn the ropes in a non-competitive social setting. Instruction is fun and informative and will cover all aspects of the game.

Different cocktail specials each session

## Band-Aid Clinics

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month  
1:30-2:45 PM

Cost- Donations to benefit Scottish Rite  
Drop by the North end of the driving range to get that quick fix

Individual help in short concise steps

**This is not a cure but it might take away a little bit of the**

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**Balcones Clubhouse 258-1621**

**For Reservations: 258-1621**

Wines the World  
Wines will be paired with each  
course



Saturday, March 21st  
\$50.00 per person++  
7:00 pm seating  
Limited to 50 people

## Senior Ladies Clinic

No boys allowed/ members only

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month

4:00- 5:00 PM

Cost \$7 per student

Bi-monthly clinics that focus on different aspects of the game and tailored to lowering scores

Clinics are specifically designed for Ladies.  
(ID not required)

# Tennis...

Talkin' about being in high gear...this ol' boy hasn't seen things jumping like this in years. I may be (actually there's no maybe about it) moving a little slower these days, but I've definitely found a little more spring in my step. I like it, I really do. More importantly, I think you will too. This Parmer group really knows their stuff. All I can say is; make sure your seat belt is fastened. It's going to be a heck of a ride.

March is a happen' month...even with the Spring Break week. Check this out:

**MEMBER MIX-IT UP:** We're hosting a member mix-it up on Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at the Balcones Clubhouse. This event will showcase every department and event for the year. Wait until you see what I've got planned for tennis. Just be prepared for the night of your life. Yeah, it'll be fun and silly, but you definitely don't want to miss it. You've gotta be there.

**MAD HATTER'S TEAM TENNIS:** March is the perfect time for the Mad Hatter's mixer. It will be held on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. The event will begin at 9:30 a.m. Teams will be made up of two men and two women. Each round will consist of four games of doubles and four games of mixed doubles. Each game won will count toward the overall score for that team. If you want to field your own team, just let us know. All single people will be paired together. Most importantly, the person with the most outrageous hat...you must wear it during play...will get the grand prize. Lunch will be served immediately after play. The awards will be presented during lunch. Advanced registration is required, so we can make even teams. Signup by calling 258-6672 x 202 or emailing me at [dweger@balconescountryclub.com](mailto:dweger@balconescountryclub.com). Fees are \$5.00 to cover balls and prizes plus the cost of lunch that will be charged to your monthly minimum. Guests are always welcome. Guest fees are an additional \$5.00, however, if they talk to Amy Mocniak (our membership director), the fee will be waived.

**SPRING BREAK JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP:** We will be hosting our annual spring break junior tennis camp on Wednesday through Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>. We're offering beginning classes from 8:30-10:00 a.m., intermediate classes from 10:00-noon and advanced from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Fees are:

Beginning:	Balcones members/\$40	Non-members/\$50
Intermediate:	Balcones members \$55	Non-members/ \$70
Advanced:	Balcones member \$55	Non-members/\$70

Please call 258-6672 ext 202 for registration or email me at [dweger@balconescountryclub.com](mailto:dweger@balconescountryclub.com).

**BALCONES SINGLES CHALLENGE:** The Balcones adult singles challenge will start the first week of March. Matches are assigned to be played within ten days. Simply call your opponent and set up a time you both agree to. The league season will be determined by the number of entries. This event is open to both men and women. Each player is required to bring a new can of balls to each match. Winner will take the unopened can of balls. Fees are \$5.00 per person. Awards will be given to first and second.

**MEN'S NIGHT OUT:** Have a beer on me. It's Men's Night Out on Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. It's fun, social and just a night to hang out. We'll mix it up, and take registration for the Spring league. The Spring league starts Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. Even if you can't play in the league, come out and have a good time. We always need subs.

**WOMEN'S PLAYDAY/MIXER:** Put it down NOW! We're hosting a women's playday and mixer on Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Regardless of your level, beginning or whatever, YOU are invited to a morning of fun tennis and lunch with the other woman of Balcones Tennis. Contact the WTA board for more information. It'll be a lot of fun.

**SPRING MEN'S LEAGUE:** If you can't make it out to Men's Night Out, just let me know you want to play in the Monday night league. I need to know by the 27<sup>th</sup>. Either call the pro shop (258-6672 ext 202) or email me at [dweger@balconescountryclub.com](mailto:dweger@balconescountryclub.com).

**WEEKLY EVENTS FOR OUR MEMBERS:** There is absolutely no excuse for you not to take advantage of your membership. These are FREE. Your membership can save you over \$12 per hour in fees. Come check out these events:

Beginning Adult:	Saturday, 8:30 a.m.
Novice Instructional League:	Thursday, 8:30 a.m.
Intermediate/Advanced:	Saturday 9:30 a.m.
Intermediate/Advanced:	Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

**SPRING BREAK:** Just as a reminder, all leagues, classes and normal programming is suspended during Spring Break week. See ya'll back on week of March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Thanks Dan.

## MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION (MGA) NEWS

### January Tournament Scramble Results:

1<sup>st</sup> Place@ 59: Kelly Huck, Dorse LeMaster,  
Weldon Fairchild, Clem DePalma  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place@ 62: Pat O'Brien, Jack Sauer,  
Carleton Smith, John Osgood  
Four teams tied for third place with a score of 63

### February Tournament 2 Man Teams 9 Holes Best Ball, 9 Holes Scramble Results:

#### A&B Flight:

Three Way Tie 1<sup>st</sup> Place@ 70:  
Rob Teets and Jim Bieber  
Dave Roon and Joe Ratcliffe  
Dan Treager and George Elizondo

#### C & D Flight:

Four Way Tie 1<sup>st</sup> Place @ 68:  
Weldon Fairchild and Dale Hudler  
Jim Whited and Eddie Bostic  
Joe Caradonna and John Osgood  
Donroy Hafner and David Fuller

Congratulations to all tournament winners and thanks to all participants.

All members are encouraged to join the MGA and participate in the monthly tournaments. A strong MGA contributes to the success of our club.

## MGA SPRING FIESTA

March 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Two Man Teams, Modified Stableford Scoring  
Players Auction Friday Evening with Heavy  
Hors d'oeuvres  
Putting Contest on Sunday following play  
Players Lunch on Saturday and Sunday  
Saturday Evening Event  
Tee Prizes**

**Sign up early for the MGA's premier event of  
the year**

Not an MGA member? Have questions about activities and tournaments? Ask any of the MGA Board for details... Mark Riddle, Richard Wyche, David Westlund, Jim Goreham or Scotty Duvall or inquire at the Pro Shop. Your participation is wanted and needed. Join us for our monthly tournaments and enjoy the camaraderie of a fun filled no pressure tournament.

## Women's Golf Association News

Our annual meeting was held January 28 and was well attended. Plans for the year were discussed and members signed up for hosting various events and playdays. Thanks to all the volunteers! The new officers were installed:

President: Trish Butler  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres.: Wendy Dew  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres.: Kelly Buckner  
Secretary: Billie Fay Grayson  
Treasurer: Julie Ramsey

The first official Wednesday play day is March 4 at Balcones and our first tournament is scheduled for Saturday, March 7 at Balcones. Twilight play on Wednesdays begins on March 11 at 5:30 at Balcones. The first Saturday Play Day is March 28 at Spicewood.

Rules Change. Par 3s with hazards. If you hit your first drive into the hazard, you have the option of going to the drop area. At that point you will be hitting your third shot.

The Meet & Greet Tournament on Feb. 21 was a great success and lots of fun. Many thanks to Julie Ekblad for organizing this event and to Clay for his help in running the tournament and helping us get onto the 17<sup>th</sup> green! Congrats to the winners:

1<sup>st</sup> place: Alex Almquist, Mary Fran Pena,  
Wanda Frix, and Petra Moher  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Karen Winrich, Julie Ekblad,  
Dorothy Johnson, and Cheryl Kuharski  
3<sup>rd</sup> place: Janelle Hudler, Denise Wilkinson,  
Janie Williams, and Christine Bauer

We have a number of new members and are looking forward to them joining us as we start the new season. WGA membership forms are available on the bulletin boards in both Pro Shops. Contact me or any of the other members or board members if you have any questions. We're gonna have a great year!!

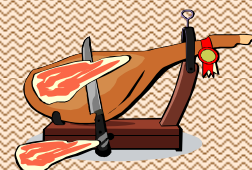
Trish Butler

## **Prime Rib Buffet**

**Every Wednesday Night**

**5:00-9:00pm**

**Please make reservations**



# From Chris, PGA Golf Professional

## March is here and so is the Golf Season!

### ***Sundowners!***

The first event this year will be on March 12<sup>th</sup> at Balcones. It will be a 5:00SG, since we are so early in the year, and then will move back to 5:30 the first week in April. This event is open to all men that are golf members of the club. If you are new to the club and looking to meet people and make some new golf buddies, then this is a great way to start. Its fun, a great way to make new friends, laid back with no pressure, and did I say fun! Mark this day on your calendar and make plans to attend all of the Sundowner events. The more that play, the better the pay!

### ***MGA Spring Fiesta!***

The MGA has a great event set up for you on the 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup>. This would be a "GREAT" opportunity for you to invite someone that might be interested in joining the club. We will be able to show case the MGA and all its glory. Thanks to the Reid's and Reid's Cleaners for sponsoring this years event. Make plans now and get your partner early, all the good ones go fast. Sign-Ups will begin March 1<sup>st</sup>.

### ***Super Bowl Scramble!***

We had 20 Teams that came out and played in this year's Super-bowl Scramble. A great time was had by all. We had some fun holes that made hitting your tee shot a little difficult and the Peoria Handicapping System made some teams Happy and some confused. We all had fun and that was the main reason we were all here. Congratulations to the only all ladies team of Juanita Brooks, Trish Butler, Terry Howarth, and Kelly Buckner, they won 1<sup>st</sup> Place.



### ***Sweetheart Couples Event!***

What a wonderful event this turned out to be. We had 25 couples come out and play and everyone went away very pleased. Congratulation to the 1<sup>st</sup> Flight winners Mark and Shari Riddle and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Flight winners Paul and Denise Wilkinson. Chris, Erin, Tony and their staff put together a meal after the event that was first class. Thanks again to all the participants and make plans for the next couple's event coming in May.



### ***2008 Balcones Summer Junior Programs!***

Can you believe it; early in February I was already getting calls wondering when the schedule for the summer programs would be available. Some parents are really on the ball, well here you go. The summer programs are set and will be available soon in the Golf Shop or you can go to our Web Page to download the information and application. We hope to again have another great turn out this summer and to continue to give the kids the instruction, rules, and sportsmanship that the game of golf demands.

Shop at Home ~ Support Your Club!

Chris Osborne, PGA

# March 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Brunch 10:30-2:00	2 Duplicate Bridge 8:45am at SPWD	3 Networking Group 7:00am  Pasta Night	4 Prime Rib Buffet  WGA Twilight	5	6 Happy Hour 5:00-7:00pm	7 WGA Tournament
8 Brunch 10:30-2:00	9 Duplicate Bridge 8:45am at SPWD	10 Networking Group 7:00am  Pasta Night	11 Prime Rib Buffet  WGA Twilight	12 BCC Card Club  Sundowners	13 Mix it up Party 6:00-8:00pm	14
15 Brunch 10:30-2:00	16 Duplicate Bridge 8:45am at SPWD	17 Networking Group 7:00am  Pasta Night	18 Prime Rib Buffet  WGA Twilight	19 BCCWA Luncheon 11:00am Sundowners	20 Happy Hour 5:00-7:00pm  MGA Spring Fiesta	21  Wine Dinner 7:00pm  MGA Spring Fiesta
22 Brunch 10:30-2:00  MGA Spring Fiesta	23 Duplicate Bridge 8:45am at SPWD	24 Networking Group 7:00am  Pasta Night	25 Prime Rib Buffet  WGA Twilight	26 BCC Card Club  Sundowners	27 Happy Hour 5:00-7:00pm	28
29 Family Brunch Buffet 10:30-2:00  Balcones Cup Qualifier	30 Duplicate Bridge 8:45am at SPWD	31 Networking Group 7:00am  Pasta Night				