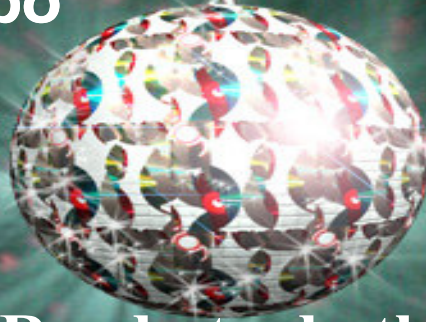


# The October Tempo

Main Clubhouse: 512.258.1621  
Balcones Pro Shop: 512.258.2775  
Spicewood Pro Shop: 512.258.6763  
Volume 19, Issue 10



Are you Ready to do the Hustle?

Cocktails with the Council

Friday, October 8 at 6:00

# "Disco Party"

This Adults only party is a great opportunity to enjoy the club in a fun and relaxing environment, while mixing and mingling with other members and guests.

Enjoy Complimentary Cocktails and Hors D'oeuvres with Jim Morgan, general manager and members of the Ambassador Council.

## Adult Halloween Costume Party

Join DJ Daryll for Drinks,  
Dancing and Karaoke  
Saturday, October 30th, at 7:30pm

And don't forget the Ghost Rally  
(Scavenger Hunt using golf carts)  
Starting at 9:13pm.

Please sign up in the Pro Shop



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**Women's  
Association**  
*Austin*

~ Market Days ~

**October 22-23, 2010**

Only a few weeks left to the biggest BCCWA event of the year! Please join the BCCWA for the Preview Party Friday evening, Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>. Special Silent Auction items at the Friday Night Preview Party will carry over until Saturday at 2:00 pm. Saturday is open the public. Raffle Prizes include Apple iPad, Compaq Notebook PC, HP Netbook, 46" Sony TV. Drawing will take place Saturday afternoon at 2:00 pm. To purchase Raffle Tickets, please contact Martha Davis at [marthadavis@aol.com](mailto:marthadavis@aol.com).

~ Membership ~

We welcome our newest members. We have a great line-up planned for programs, socials, and community events planned for the fall. We would love for all ladies of Balcones Country Club to join our organization. If you are interested in membership, please contact Dorothy Johnson, Membership Chair, [wardorj@austin.rr.com](mailto:wardorj@austin.rr.com) or 331-1140.

Mary Beth Angione  
Gayle Franzen

Peggy Karstendiek  
Sherri Lass

Christy Martin  
Melissa McAdams

Stephanie McCollum  
Elizabeth Rall

Kelly Thorstad  
Catherine Tolbert  
Stacey Uffelman

~ Luncheons/Programs ~

**September 16<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm ~ Chef Tony & Jeff Conarko, Con O'lio**

We had a wonderful turnout to our first program... 67 attendees! Chef Tony and Jeff Conarko provided an incredible dinner using imported olive oils and vinegars from the local Austin shop, Con O'lio Oils & Vinegars. Thank you to all who made this event happen!

**October 21<sup>st</sup> Luncheon 11 am ~ "BCCWA Antique Roadshow"**

Chris Featherston of Austin Auction Gallery for "BCCWA Antique Roadshow" – Do you ever wonder if your family heirloom is an antique? Or is it antique trash? If you would like to find out if your treasure is valuable, submit a photo and detailed description of the item to Program Chair Sharon Meyer ([sharonmeyer8711@aol.com](mailto:sharonmeyer8711@aol.com)) before October 14<sup>th</sup>, and she'll let you know if your item has been chosen for the show. *Participants in the show must be a BCCWA member.* Reservations required by Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

The Luncheons/Programs are held on the third Thursday of each month, September through May with social hour from 11–11:30 am, followed by lunch and program until 1 pm, with the exception of the September and May meetings which are evening meetings and programs.

~ Socials ~

**October 1, 2010 ~ 7–10 pm ~ Fall Dance**

Texas Crude will provide the music for the BCCWA Fall Dance. All BCC members and their guests are welcome! Cover charge \$5 for BCC Members, \$10 for guests of BCC Members.

**October 8, 2010 ~ BCCWA Spa Day at Spa Plaza Cortez**

Spa Plaza Cortez will be hosting a BCCWA member exclusive Spa Day. Services will be provided at a discounted rate while also being pampered with wine & cheese. *Must be a BCCWA member to attend. Details on reservations will be emailed to BCCWA members.*

[www.balconescountryclub.com/amenities/women](http://www.balconescountryclub.com/amenities/women)

Please Note that Member Dining  
will be closed All day

**Thursday, October 14th  
And  
Friday, October 22nd**

We apologize for the  
Inconvenience and invite you to  
join us for

October 8th-Cocktails with the Council  
October 22nd and 23rd-Market Days  
October 24th- Good Vs. Evil Wine  
Dinner  
or for  
October 30th and 31st-Halloween  
Weekend!



If you missed the “Cheers for Beers-  
Beer Dinner” you won’t want to miss

**Tony’s “Good Vs Evil” Wine Dinner**

**Sunday, October 24th  
at 6:30 pm**

**We are still working on this great event  
and will post the menu and pricing on the  
website as soon as all our pairings are  
complete.**

**5 course Dinner with Wine Pairings**

**Reservations Required 258-1621 by Wednesday October 20**





# 9th Annual **Balcones** **Market Days**

BALCONES WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND BENEFIT

**BCC Member & Guest Party**  
Friday, October 22nd, 2010  
6:00pm - 9:30pm

## **Don't miss the Silent Auction:**

Port A. Beach House  
PGA National Golf Weekend  
Nintendo DS  
Antique & Collectible Table  
and much much more!

Balcones Country Club  
8600 Balcones Club Dr.  
Austin, TX 78750

## **\$1 Raffle Tickets**

- Apple iPad
- HP Netbook
- 46" Sony TV
- Compaq Notebook

## *Pumpkin Patch Cafe*

Serving Lunch  
11am -2pm

Visit **The Pantry** for  
Homebaked Treats and Casseroles



To make a tax deductible donation contact Phyllis Janson at [janson@prismnet.com](mailto:janson@prismnet.com) or Susan Cooper at [coopersusan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:coopersusan@sbcglobal.net)

# Development Board... by Mark Riddle

16!!! Great job from all of the members who've brought new friends to join and to Ike for getting them signed up. Last month we were 34 members shy of our 576 goal – congratulations to everyone for getting your friends signed up.

Remember, we don't get the entire capital fund distribution in one lump sum. APMG puts 50% of each of those 200 members dues into the capital fund, so the \$1.3 million is paid over time.

Most importantly, don't stop recruiting once we hit 576. Every member over 576 increases the dollars that are put into the fund.

We're continuing to take suggestions at [balconesbog@gmail.com](mailto:balconesbog@gmail.com) and have begun prioritizing the major renovations we want pay for with the capital fund. Once we hit trigger, we'll be having elections for the Board of Governors (which will replace the currently appointed Development Board).

We'll be continuing the Associate Member Promotion until we hit 576 members. This program gives you the opportunity to get up to 25% off your dues FOR LIFE. It's as simple as bringing in one new member (who will also get that same low rate). If you've got someone who's interested, call Ike Lee.

If you're a new member – welcome to the Balcones family! You may wonder how's best to get involved??? Check out the Balcones website ([balconescountryclub.com](http://balconescountryclub.com)) or become a friend of Balcones on Facebook to keep up with the latest events. You can also send an email to the MGA ([balconesmga@gmail.com](mailto:balconesmga@gmail.com)) or the WGA ([balconesccwga@gmail.com](mailto:balconesccwga@gmail.com)) to keep up with the men's and women's events. There are many weekly and monthly events for everyone.

Remember the 2nd Friday of the month is “Cocktails with the Council” – a great event for you to attend with potential members. The Development Board and staff are there to welcome them and answer any questions about membership.

Thanks again to all of you for being members at Balcones – and thanks to everyone who's brought members in! Who'd have thought 3 years ago we'd be growing at this rate??? Get ready to hit the 576 and have the biggest party APMG has ever thrown (their words, not mine)!!!

**As our Membership Family continues to Grow, we strongly encourage you to make reservations when choosing to dine with us in the Dining room.**

**Make your reservations with Kaye at 258-1621**

**Prime Rib  
Buffet**

**Wednesdays  
5-9pm**

**\*Reservations Required\***

# From the Courts

by Dan Weger



**BURGER AND BEER:** Our monthly Burger and Beer will be held on Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. This event is open to all members and their guests. The format will include men's and women's doubles and mixed. We'll have divisions for all levels of players. The fee is \$10 per person, which includes everything. Reservations need to be made by Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. Hope you can make it out!!!

**SPECIAL OLYMPICS COMING BACK:** We are hosting another seven weeks of tennis for Special Olympic athletes. The camp will be held on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. starting October 5<sup>th</sup>.

We are always looking for volunteers. Anyone that would like to help out and any or all of the camps should contact Carolyn Hinkle at 257-8908 or email at [hinklecarolyn@gmail.com](mailto:hinklecarolyn@gmail.com).

**COURT RESERVATIONS:** The Spicewood courts 5-8 are being resurfaced. While they are down, it is important that you make reservations for courts. We will be using most of the courts for programming during the downtime, thus courts will be limited. Reservations can be made by email at [dweger@balconescountryclub.com](mailto:dweger@balconescountryclub.com).

WTA and the BCC Tennis Committee will hold the 7th annual

## Balcones Book Sale

on

Friday, November 5th at 7:00 thru  
Sunday November 7th at  
Spicewood Clubhouse.

We welcome gently read hardbacks and paperbacks, VHS and DVD's, audio books, records, cassettes and CD's.

Collection Boxes will arrive in both Clubhouses in Mid-October.

If you need to arrange a pick-up, please call Pat Zigrossi at 258-5361 or email at [zigrossi@swbell.net](mailto:zigrossi@swbell.net)



## Women's Tennis Association...

by Petra Moher

The Balcones Women's Tennis Association teams kicked off the Fall season on September 15th with two match wins. The Faults captain, Pat Zigrossi, reports that the team scored 14 of 20 points playing against the AWTA Rackets Up at the South Austin Tennis Center. A big thanks to subs Cindy Skierski and Allyson Tinker for making this win possible. The Spinners captain, Stacy Vaughn, reports that the team scored 11 of 20 points playing against the Lakeway Chaos in a home court match. A great start to the season for both teams!

During the two previous years the Balcones teams played a friendly rivalry match to start the Fall season; but, for the 2010 season, the Spinners have advanced to Flight 5 in the Austin Womens Tennis Association, while the Faults remain in Flight 6. Congratulations to the Spinners for working (or should I say playing) their way up the ladder!

Mark your calendars for the Balcones WTA Halloween tennis playdate on October 28th at the Spicewood Courts. You don't want to miss this fun yearly event of tennis games and making new tennis friends, not to mention food and wine. (Start working on your costume!). Details will be sent by e-mail during October.

## Women's Golf Association News... by Shari Riddle

September was a busy month for Balcones Golf!

Our Tournament was a huge success, thanks in large part to our First Vice President Mary Bustos. In my absence, she was able to orchestrate the game we played on the fly to make sure everyone had a good time.

The winning team with a score of 57 were Juanita Brooks, Karen Atchley and Ann Smith. Second team with a score of 61 were Janelle Hudler, Beverly Merryman and Eleanor Hurst Third team with a score of 63 were Laurie Roon, Betty Goodman and June Kissinger. Fourth were 3 teams tied with a score of 64. Mary Fran Pena, Patti Brown & Wendy Dew; Donna Teets, Gail Buckley & Pam Green; Mary Bustos, Julie Ekblad & Sue Rodriguez.  
Closest to the pin: Donna Teets #8 and Juanita #12.  
Congratulations!!

October finds us ready for our WGA CHAMPIONSHIP!!

It is scheduled for Saturday, October 2 at Spicewood, and Sunday October 3 at Balcones. This tournament is FREE to play, and we encourage all of you to try and make it out. Sign up sheets will be in the Balcones Pro Shop. We hope to have at least 5 flights, and have fun planned for all. Watch for flyers and email to come your way soon!

Our Saturday Play Day will be on October 30<sup>th</sup> at Spicewood. Mary Bustos is in charge, and it is sure to be a fun day! Game to be announced, and it is FREE TO PLAY!! We might even have some cash prizes to hand out.

Please put these dates on your October calendar!!

See you on the course!!



### Handicap FYI ..... from your BCC Handicap Committee

The new score cards have arrived and look great! Thanks to Chris and all members of the Golf Handicap Committee for the hard work to make this happen.

There are some notable changes on the new cards:

**Allocation of Handicap Strokes** As we discussed in the August Tempo, we have conducted a grounds up revision of the handicap allocation for both courses. We have used the data collected this year of our play hole by hole and applied a USGA recommended methodology to arrive at the result on the cards.

Remember, according to the USGA: "The basic principle is to equalize the abilities of players at different handicap levels. A handicap stroke should be an equalizer and should be available on a hole where it most likely will be needed by the higher-handicapped player to obtain a half in singles or four-ball match play. Difficulty in making par on a hole is not an effective indicator of the need for a stroke." In other words, the hardest hole may or may not be the number 1 handicap hole.

The handicap allocation changed for most of the holes at Balcones and for all the holes at Spicewood. The results are current and in the spirit of USGA directions.

**There are two handicap allocations per course. The one used depends on the Tee you play.** At Balcones, the Black, Blue, and White Tees have one Allocation and the Green Tees have another. At Spicewood, the Black and Blue Tees have one Allocation while the White and Green Tees share another. The layout of the card clearly shows the Handicap Allocation to be used. Note that we no longer have Men's and Women's Handicap Allocation just as we no longer have Men's and Women's Tees.

Enjoy the new cards. They are attractive and user friendly!

# Men's Golf Association News... by Jim Gorreham

## MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION NEWS

Sixty Three MGA members gathered on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> for the monthly MGA tournament. This month's format was a computer draw ABCD team event with each team selecting their two best drives, pairing off into two man teams, and scrambling in with both scores counting.

Congratulations to the following winners:

1<sup>st</sup> Place at 131 (9 under par) - Pat O'Brien, Ronald Romonosky, Terry Wilson, Dierk McWilliams

2<sup>nd</sup> Place at 133 (7 under par) - Kevin Dahl, Russ Reininger, Dorse LeMaster, John McEwan

3<sup>rd</sup> Place at 134 (6 under par) - Mike Cleveland, Paul Ott, Jim Howalt, Ken Melton



1st Place team of Ron, Dierk, Terry & Pat



Rosie is all smiles..he didn't finish DFL !!

The September tournament was very special as it was the deciding event to determine the MGA's representative on the Balcones team at the APGM Partners Championship. The MGA member who accumulates the most points from November through September MGA tournament placement and bringing in new Club and MGA members wins this all expense paid trip (\$4500 value) to Florida's PGA National. The race this year was close with four members vying for the spot going into the September event.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO PAT O'BRIEN ON HIS VICTORY.**

Of the 9 tournaments Pat played in the MGA schedule he was on three winning teams and his point accumulation overall averaged a third place finish.



**Pat O'Brien, The MGA Representative  
on Balcones APGM Team**

The October MGA event will be held at the Balcones course and will be the Orange Ball tournament. This fun, but pressure packed event will be held on the 23rd. Following play, the shootout will be held. The Shootout pits the top ten point leaders in each flight (A, B, C, & D) playing for cash prizes. Look for the latest point standings in the Bar & Grill, Men's Locker Room, and Pro Shop.



# From the Course

**Championship Flight – Jimmy Small and Kyle Jerome - 177**

**First Flight – Rob Teets and Raul Campa - 191**

**Second Flight – Bobby Frank and Trevor Ogden - 196**

**Third Flight – John Lyne and Adam Weedman - 193**

**Fourth Flight – Terry Wilson and Weldon Fairchild - 215**

**Fifth Flight – Jamison Gilveli and Danny Guy - 231**

**Congratulations to all the Flight winners**

**It was a Great Event!**



## **2010 Balcones Country Club Palmer Partners Championship Team**

Congratulations to Rodney Threet, Kelly Buckner, Jon Sutherland, Pat O'Brien, and Fritz Cox for earning a spot on this year's Partners Championship Team. These players will be representing Balcones at PGA National in a team competition playing against all the other clubs in the Arnold Palmer Golf Management portfolio. We would like to wish them the best of luck and let's show them how good we are at Balcones.

### **Balcones Maintenance Request**

We are going into the season that the Balcones Maintenance team does a lot of the needed maintenance on the golf course on Mondays. We would like to remind all members that the Balcones Course is closed on Monday. This means there should be no one playing on the course on this day. The maintenance team uses Mondays to do most of the fertilizing and spraying that it needs to get done. Some of these chemicals can be very hazardous to your health. A lot of these need to be watered in and let sit for 24 hours without any getting on them. Please allow our maintenance team the chance they need to keep our course in its best condition.

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# CANASTA

Join the BCC Ladies Racehorse Canasta group they meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. We start play at 9:30am play 2 rounds break for lunch and then play 2 more rounds.

All are welcome... please contact

**Ennis Bogle 512-506-8523**



Our "Clubs within a Club" program and it's designed to offer fun, fellowship and new friends to Balcones members.

## We are Ready to start the Quilting Group

If you are interested in being a part of this club or starting a new club of your own, please contact Rachel Gill at [rgill@balconescountryclub.com](mailto:rgill@balconescountryclub.com) or 512-258-1621

## Duplicate Bridge

Monday's at 8:45- Spicewood Clubhouse

Tuesday, September 14@ 6:30- Balcones Clubhouse

For more information contact Pat Zigrossi at 258-5361 or [Zigrossi@swbell.net](mailto:Zigrossi@swbell.net)

## Balcones Book Club

October 12 at 12:00 in the Balcones Dining Room

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo by Stieg Larson



For more information contact Rachel Gill, [rgill@balconescountryclub.com](mailto:rgill@balconescountryclub.com)

Balcones is working on expanding our growing Social clubs and we need your help! It's our "Clubs within a Club" program and it's designed to offer fun, fellowship and new friends to Balcones members. Below is the list of clubs we would love to help you start in 2010!

**Dance Club, Travel & Shopping Club, Book Club, & Theater Club**

Each Club meeting is designed to be complimentary, with the exception of Chef Tony's Cooking club (which may require a small fee). And all correspondence is done via email with no obligations!

If you are interested in being a part of any of these clubs, or starting a club of your own, please contact Rachel Gill at [rgill@balconescountryclub.com](mailto:rgill@balconescountryclub.com) or 512-258-1621

## Bible Study on the Book of Revelation Tuesdays

Sept 14th- Nov 23rd 2:30-4:30

We are studying the Book of Revelation, in a Beth Moore DVD Bible Study. Beth explains that there are many interpretations of the Book of Revelation, which stretch to every extreme on the theological map. She feels that it is very healthy to have our views challenged, as long as His Word is held sacred and inspired. She will offer points of view from many scholars, and let us decide for ourselves how we choose to interpret the scripture.

There is so much symbolism through the Book of Revelation. For example, did you know that that the number "7" means perfect of complete? That's why you read so much about the 7 blessings, 7 lamp stands, 7 seals, 7 horns, etc.

Come join us for this journey of discovery on Tuesdays, 2:30-4:30, through the months of October and November.

For more information, contact Gail Buckley at 250-5276 or [buckleyg@austin.rr.com](mailto:buckleyg@austin.rr.com).

*Membership... by Ike Lee*



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COUNTRY CLUB

**SAVE UP TO 25% ON YOUR DUES FOREVER!**

We are Currently

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Away from Trigger!

Nominate your Friends today for a Membership  
the Whole Family will Enjoy!



# October 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 BCCWA Dinner Dance	2 WGA Tournament
3	4	5	6	7	8 Cocktails with the Council	9
10	11	12 Book Club Meeting	13	14 Clubhouse Closed All Day	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 BCCWA Luncheon	22 BCCWA Market Days	23 BCCWA Market Days
24 Good Vs. Evil Wine Dinner	25	26	27	28	29	30 Ghost Rally & Halloween Party
31 Kids Halloween Party						

## Social & Dining Events

Mondays, 8:45am.....Duplicate Bridge at Spicewood  
 Tuesdays, 7:30am.....Prosperity Networking Group  
 Tuesdays, 2:30PM.....Ladies Bible Group  
 Wednesdays, 5:00pm.....Prime Rib Night  
 Sundays, 10:30-2:00.....Ala Cart Sunday Brunch  
 2nd & 4th Thursday, 9:30am.....BCC Ladies Canasta

1st.....BCCWA Dinner Dance  
 8th, 6:00-8:00.....Cocktails with the Council  
 12th, 12:00.....Balcones Book Club  
 14th.....Clubhouse Closed  
 21st, 11:00am.....BCCWA Lunch  
 22nd and 23rd.....BCCWA Market Days  
 24th, 6:30pm.....Good Vs. Evil Wine Dinner  
 30th, 6:30pm.....Ghost Rally & Halloween Party  
 31st, 11:00am.....Sunday Brunch  
 31st, 1:00.....Kids Halloween Party

## Golf Events

3rd thru 5th.....Labor Day Tournament Begins  
 11th.....WGA Tournament  
 18th, 9:00am.....MGA ABCD Tournament  
 25th & 26th.....Par Buster tournament

Wednesdays, 9:00.....WGA Play Day(18 holers)  
 Wednesdays, 10:30.....WGA Play Day (9 holers)  
 Wednesdays, 5:00PM.....Ladies Moonlighters  
 Thursdays, 5:00PM.....Men's Sundowners  
 Fridays, 5:00 PM.....Couple's Honeymooners

## Tennis Events

Monday/Thursday 3:30 p.m.....Beginning Jr. Tennis Elementary  
 (no previous experience)  
 Monday/Thursday 4:30 p.m.....Beginning/Adv Beginning Teens  
 Monday/Thursday 5:30 p.m.....Teen Intermediate/Advanced Jr. Tennis

Monday 7:00 p.m. ....Men's Doubles League  
 Wednesday 9:00 a.m.....Women's Team Tennis  
 Wednesday & Friday 3:30 p.m.....Adv Beginning Elementary Jr. Tennis  
 Wednesday & Friday 4:30 p.m.....Intermediate Elementary Jr. Tennis  
 Wednesday 7:00 p.m.....Free adult intermediate/advanced drill  
 Thursday 8:30 a.m.....Women's 3.5 USTA Team  
 Thursday 8:30 a.m.....Free intermediate ladies drill  
 Thursday 7:00 p.m.....Cardio Tennis and Hardcore Tennis  
 Friday 8:30 a.m.....Women's 3.0 USTA Team  
 Friday 7:00 p.m.....Adult Mixed Doubles  
 Saturday 8:30 a.m.....Free adult beginning clinic  
 Saturday 9:30 a.m.....Free adult intermediate/advanced drill  
 Sunday 9:00 a.m.....Cardio Tennis  
 Sunday 9:30 a.m.....Hardcore Tennis  
 Sunday 1:00 p.m.....Men's 4.0 USTA Team  
 Sunday 4:00 p.m.....Men's 3.5 USTA Team  
 Sunday 4:00 p.m.....Senior Mixed 8.0 USTA Team

**Don't forget to check the Online Calendar for updates on Monthly Events!**

[www.balconescountryclub.com/calendar](http://www.balconescountryclub.com/calendar)