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◆ SPEAKER EVENTS ◆

Reminiscences of LBJ with Harry Middleton

September 15, 2014

The evening of September 15th was one of those events that gives meaning to the treasured legacy of the Headliners Club as a gathering of the people who make things happen – a sold-out evening to hear Harry Middleton reminisce about former club member Lyndon Baines Johnson.

The setting was a Bob Hardesty Lectureship presented jointly by the club and the LBJ Presidential Library, with an introduction by current library director Mark Updegrove and featuring Larry Temple as moderator.

The audience was replete with notables, including Alice Hardesty, whose late husband “counted Harry Middleton as his dearest friend,” club member and former LBJ aide Tom Johnson, in from Atlanta for the occasion, former Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, Nellie White, who spent many years in Washington with her husband, the late John C. White, the youngest person ever elected to statewide office in Texas, our own State Senator Kirk Watson, Eleanor Crook of San Marcos, a member of the LBJ Foundation board of trustees, Jo Anne Christian, a club member with close ties to Middleton and President Johnson, Phyllis Schenkkan, stepmother of LBJ playwright Robert Schenkkan, Jr., Dr. Denise Trauth, president of LBJ’s alma mater; and scores of others.

Introducing the program, Updegrove quoted President Jimmy Carter : “There never was and never will be a better director of a presidential library than Harry Middleton.” Temple echoed that thought, reporting personal knowledge that the opinion is shared by every one of the 12 directors of other presidential libraries in the United States.

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Mark Updegrove, Director of the LBJ Library, introduced Harry Middleton and Larry Temple.



Larry Temple (right) moderated Harry Middleton's discussion on his recollections of LBJ.



Tom Johnson arrived early with a replica of Air Force One.



Alice Hardesty was pleased that the evening was a lecture in honor of her late husband Bob.

Speaker Events Harry Middleton



Former Lt. Governor Bill Hobby spent the evening with two lovely ladies: Laura Beckworth and Sara Lee Tiede.



Harry was excited to be surrounded by his family and good friends: Daughter Jenny O'Dell, Granddaughter Lindsay O'Dell, Grandson Reed O'Dell, Tom Johnson and Eleanor Crook.



Senator Kirk Watson was delighted to have his photo taken with one of his idols - Harry Middleton.



Marge Morton current and former "Special Assistant" to LBJ Library's Director Emeritus.

"The keeper of the LBJ legacy has been, and always will be, Harry Middleton," Temple added.

Middleton did what he's done in lectures to UT honors students for the past 10 years since retiring as library director – recount what he described as "L. B. 'what the hell' J." stories to a rapt audience. The tales ranged from his confused introduction to working for LBJ, who simply started spewing speechwriting background to Harry, to Middleton's ultimate decision to release secretly recorded White House telephone tapes after the president's death but well before a 50-year embargo Johnson had specified.

As noted by Temple, that latter decision by Harry earned him *Texas Monthly's* title as "the man who saved LBJ's reputation."

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Speaker Events Harry Middleton



Amy and Mark Updegrave enjoyed catching up with John Beckworth.



Best friends since grade school, Michelle Foreman and Rose Betty Williams.

Middleton described a president who was a great storyteller with eloquence, but who “because he didn’t think it was presidential” took almost every bit of style from the post-presidential memoir that Hardesty and Middleton helped LBJ write. He agreed that Johnson could be crude to make a point but said he never heard him use the “F” word, “though he had some very colorful substitutes.” He also reported that LBJ never felt freer than when he was in the White House, which some occupants have regarded as more like a prison.



Louann Temple and her daughter Allison had a great time listening to Harry and Larry.



Texas State University President Denise Trauth enjoyed the evening with her husband John Huffman.

And what about the elephant in the room - Vietnam? “Well,” reported Middleton, “It’s always there. He inherited that war, but he also enlarged it. He believed in that war, but it tortured him and he didn’t know how to get out of it.”

As for the library that honors and records the Johnson White House, Middleton quotes words written by Hardesty and spoken by Johnson at the library’s dedication in 1971: “It’s all here – the story of our time, with the bark off.”

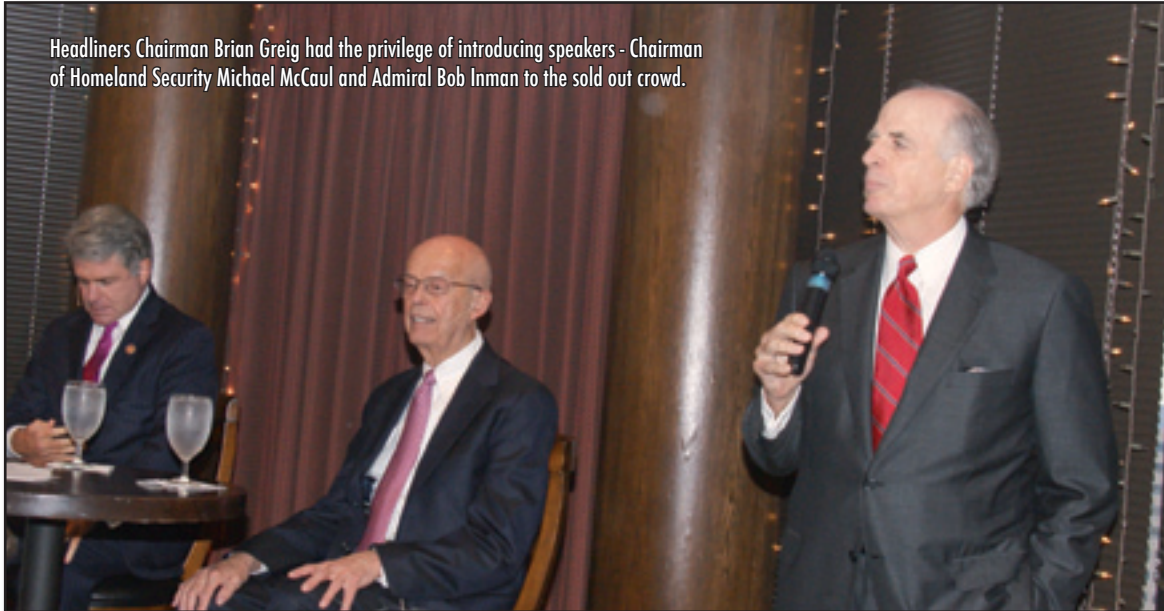
That place, and Middleton himself, are true to the president whom he concludes was “this giant of a man.”

— By Howard Falkenberg

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Are We Safe?

October 20, 2014



Headliners Chairman Brian Greig had the privilege of introducing speakers - Chairman of Homeland Security Michael McCaul and Admiral Bob Inman to the sold out crowd.

The comradery and mutual respect between Representative Michael McCaul and Admiral Bob Inman brought lively repartee and even some much needed levity to their expert analysis of this sobering topic. It is hard to imagine two people more qualified to shed light on our national security issues. McCaul is now Chairman of the U.S. House Homeland Security Committee and Inman, the Lyndon B. Johnson Centennial Chair in National Policy at The University of Texas, was formerly Director of the National Security Agency and Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.



Rob Bridges (right) had a nice conversation with Gary Valdez (left) before the event.



Our reporter for the event - Pam McIlhenny - enjoyed the evening with her husband Edmund.

McCaul and Inman shared the view that while we are safer from a 9/11 style mass attack, currently we face a greater risk of terrorist acts such as suicide bombers here in the U.S. McCaul commented that we are safer when our friends respect us and our enemies fear us, yet today

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Speaker Events Michael McCaul

there is a sense that other countries are not sure where the U.S. stands. Inman and McCaul cited other contributing factors including our failure to reach an agreement to keep forces in Iraq and the Iraqi government's purging of Sunni fighters from its army and thus motivating them to join ISIS. They noted that while air power can be the deciding difference in the outcome of a conflict, a war cannot be won without boots on the ground. There are no Iraqi or Syrian ground forces other than Assad's army currently up to the task of serving that important role. While the Kurds come closest, they are perhaps six to nine months from being properly trained.

Closer to home, the radicalization of U.S. citizens over the internet is very difficult to track. The internet has taken over recruiting of Islamic extremists from the Mosques, and it is a much more formidable adversary. After training abroad with jihadists, it is a challenge to apprehend these radicals if they return using their valid passports. In some cases these citizens return with the intent of initiating terrorist activities.

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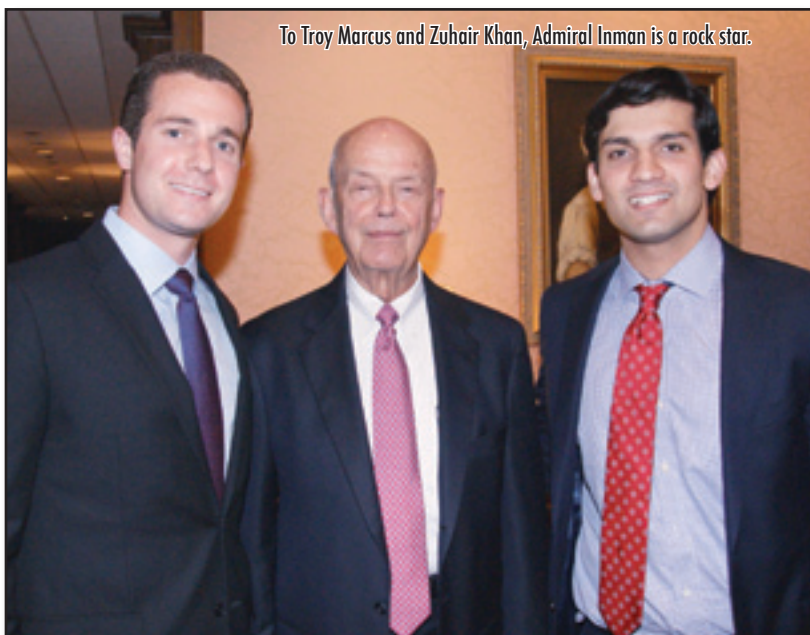
Bill Lauderback and Rick Bluntzer enjoyed visiting before the program began.



Jane Sibley (center) was so pleased to have her granddaughters - Shiloh Sibley and Rachel Sibley with her.



Sheridan Butler thought spending the evening with her grandmother Ann was very special.



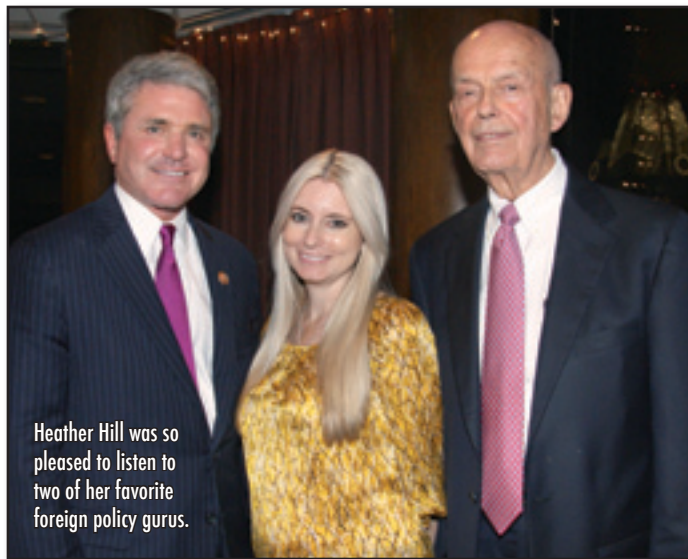
To Troy Marcus and Zuhair Khan, Admiral Inman is a rock star.

Speaker Events Michael McCaul

Nancy Inman, Linda McCaul and Penne Peacock compared notes on the evening's discussion.



Heather Hill was so pleased to listen to two of her favorite foreign policy gurus.



Tom Washmon, Adam Goldman, Robin Thompson and Carl Stuart.



The two young Grangers (Jennah and Roy) met while working in Washington for Congressman McCaul.



Perhaps the most interesting question asked of McCaul and Inman was “What could any president, of either party, have done differently to change our current circumstance?” Inman pointed out that over history, whether under a Democrat or Republican administration, once we have been in a war environment for a few years, we tend to retrench, which is what has happened over the last few years. We surge, and then pull back.

Despite the seriousness of our challenges and the intensity of the analysis, we are completely safe in saying that Chairman McCaul and Admiral Inman have our utmost admiration and appreciation for their dedication and determination to protect our great country.

— By Pam McIlhenny

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Margaret Spellings

October 30, 2014



Former Education Secretary Margaret Spellings masterfully described the continuing challenges with educating American students.

Margaret Spellings' attention is clearly focused on Dallas in her role as president of the George W. Bush Presidential Center, where she oversees all aspects of the Center's activities.

At her recent visit to the Club, Spellings was "on message" as she talked about the successful retrospective of American fashion designer Oscar de la Renta, an exhibit at the Bush Presidential Library and Museum, which closed just two weeks before the designer's death. And she gave members a sneak preview about an exhibit this spring on baseball, inviting attendees to see all that the Center offers.

Spellings' position as quasi-ambassador for all things Bush Center is just the latest addition to a resume that has brought her back to Texas after several years in Washington, D.C.

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Mark Morrison acted as the moderator at the evening with Margaret Spelling.



Nothing like young grandchildren to have these ladies re-focus on education- Jane Greig & Vicki Roan.



Headliners reporter Sharon Jayson with husband Ken Herman and friend Secretary Spellings.

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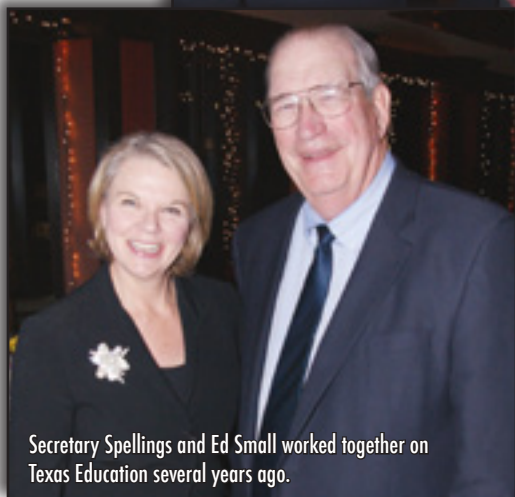
Her expertise on a host of topics was evident as she adroitly answered Headliners Foundation Chairman Mark Morrison's insightful questions – ranging from politics to education accountability, higher education, single-gender schools, technology, principal leadership and school choice.



Good friends of the Secretary's-
Regan and Billy Gammon.



Peter Pincoffs had a nice
conversation with Karl Rove.



Secretary Spellings and Ed Small worked together on
Texas Education several years ago.



It was fun for Grover Campbell, Bruce Todd and Will Jones to
meet and discuss the coming legislature session.

From 2005-09, Spellings served as U.S. Secretary of Education, where she spearheaded implementation of the No Child Left Behind Act, which aimed to enhance education accountability.

Now Spellings is concerned about what she sees as a “retreat on accountability” as states weaken their standards and lessen the rigor. But the vast array of choice in education today offers success stories as well, Spellings said.



Linda and Milton Cram were please to hear
Secretary Spellings perspectives on education.



Headliners is such a good place to re-connect with
friends and esteemed colleagues.

“We are all so accustomed to customization in our lives now,” she said.

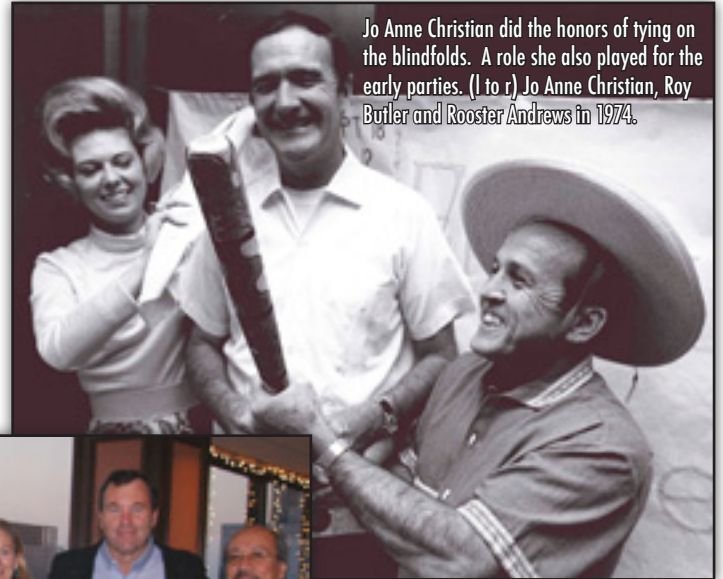
— By Sharon Jayson

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MEXICAN FIESTA

This is the year the Headliners Club celebrates its 60th Anniversary. So to commemorate we will be looking back and recreating some of the successful events of the past. In the early days the Club had two big parties. One was the gala honoring the working press, executive and national press and Hollywood stars. The other was held in September and was a Mexican Fiesta. So this September we recreated the Mexican Fiesta which included a piñata (filled with adult beverages), mariachis and lots of good food.

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Jo Anne Christian did the honors of tying on the blindfolds. A role she also played for the early parties. (l to r) Jo Anne Christian, Roy Butler and Rooster Andrews in 1974.



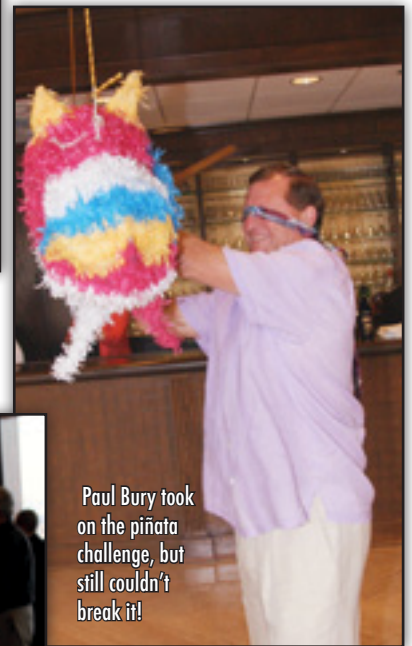
EVERYONE loves good Mariachi music including: Barry and Laura Spears with Mary and Will Pitts.



The Davenport family: William, Leslie, Wilder, Jack and Whit.



Paul Bury took on the piñata challenge, but still couldn't break it!



As president of the Club, Wallace Smith got to take the first swing at the piñata.

Events Mexican Fiesta



June & Terry Young, Jan & Gary Pickle, and Pat & Phil Barnes had a fabulous time at Fiesta!



Vicki and Mark Eidman certainly got into the spirit of the evening.



Good Friends and good beer go very well together: Steve Thomas, Pat Lochridge, Tom Barton and Will Wilson.



The Puetts were all smiles - having fun with their good friends.



Mark Edwards really had a good time with his daughter.



Brothers Chris and Corky Logue were happy to share the evening with their ladies, Rachel Logue and Katy Hackerman.



It took these three boys to finally get the candy, etc. to come flying out.

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Inaugural Etiquette Class

Our first Etiquette class led by the mother/daughter team of Joan Snodgrass and Brannon Smith was quite fun and informative. Some of the comments heard around the table included:

- Will you teach me how to do conversation?
- The boys have to do all the work - the girls don't even have to pull out or push in their own chairs!
- No - passing rolls does not actually mean taking a roll from the basket and throwing it down the table like a baseball.
- Elbows are not wings, you can cut your meat with your elbows at our side.



So much to learn, but this first class of young people really concentrated and learned quite a lot... and had fun!

◆ CONCERT SERIES ◆



Steve and Judy Smith came with their good friends Bill and Diane Love.



Susie and Gabe Thornhill.



Leslie and Steve McConnico.



Steve and Debbie Yurco with Lanette and Wallace Smith.



Ann and Meade Bauer.





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Deborah and Larry Peel.



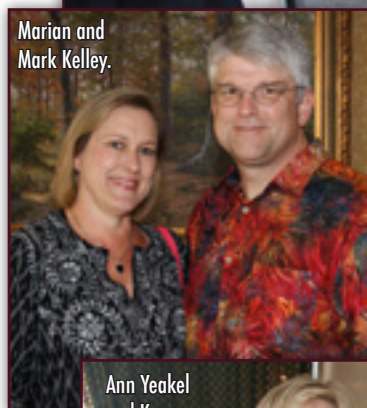
It was a birthday celebration for Meg Voelter, who invited lots of friends to join in on the fun: Wendy and Michael Dalton, Christi and Matt Strock, Meg and Dathan Voelter, Tiffany and Wayne Brumley, Elizabeth and Wayne Rose.



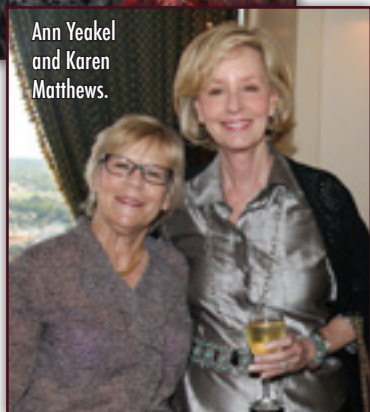
Bob Hutchings, Cindy Gompert, Kim Hutchings and David Gompert.



Karen Matthews, Boots Willeford, Charles Matthews and Pam Willeford.



Marian and Mark Kelley.



Ann Yeakel and Karen Matthews.



Charlie Marrs, Alexis Dacy, Catherine Howry, Maggie Newell, Courtney Brown and Sterling Howry.

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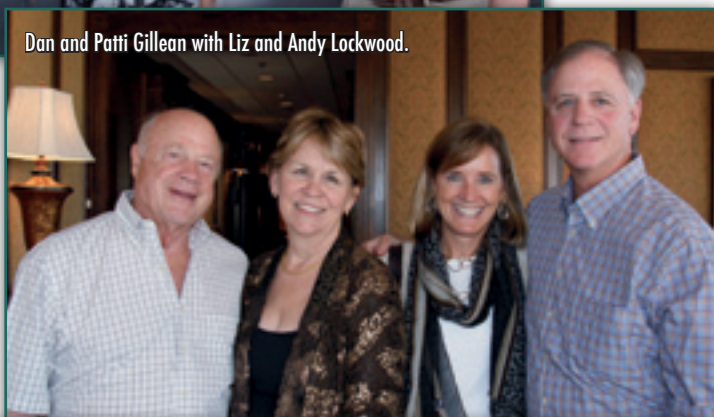
Morris and Amanda Foster with Vicki and Jim Rado.



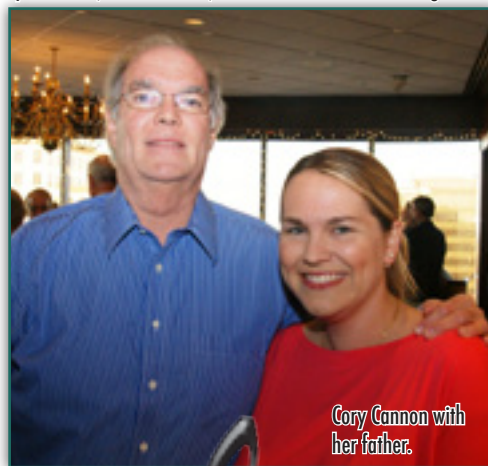
Dentists all: Nancy Heerssen, Glenda Smith, Ann Kristovich and Beth Long.



David and Connie Saathoff with Isabella and Bill Cunningham.



Dan and Patti Gillean with Liz and Andy Lockwood.



Cory Cannon with her father.



George and Carolyn Fancher with Ronny and Kathy Platt.

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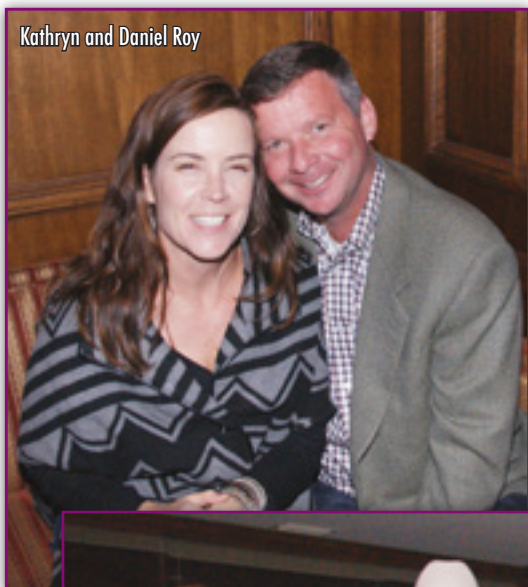
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Kathryn and Daniel Roy



Daphne and Ben Vaughan



(l to r) Stephen and Suzanne Erickson, Lance and Stephanie Morris, Ben and Leigh Richards, Lee and Hill Morrison, Catherine and Kyle Parks

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Concert Series



Vicki Rado, Bill Schneider, Ann Schneider, Gary Little, Francie Little and Jim Rado



Lance and Carol Sandlin with Brad and Deb Benne



Mike Hull and Mignon McGarry

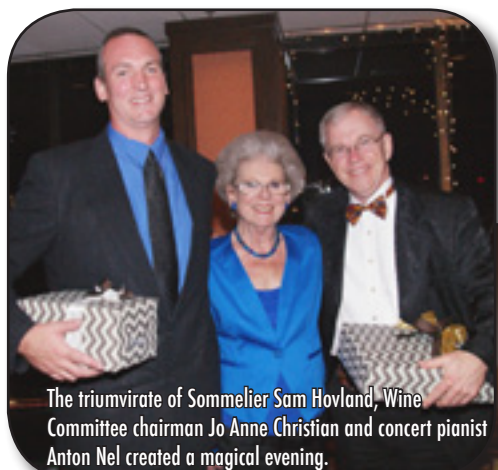


John and Lori Olesky with Dwaine and Billie Kelley

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Escoffier French Wine Dinner

October 15, 2014



The triumvirate of Sommelier Sam Hovland, Wine Committee chairman Jo Anne Christian and concert pianist Anton Nel created a magical evening.

Concert pianist Anton Nel, Jo Anne Christian and William Allensworth were ready for another special evening of food, wine and music



Former UT President Larry Faulkner (left) and Former UT Chancellor Dan Burck (right) were pleased to be spending the evening with one of UT's brightest stars.



Quen and Jesus Garza attended their first wine dinner and promised to return for the next one.



Marion DeFord and Col. Gregory were so pleased to spend the evening with his daughter Cookie Ruiz.

It doesn't get any better than fantastic food from the Headliners kitchen, fabulous French wines, and Anton Nel. Add entertaining food notes, researched by catering director McKinnon Morton and delivered beautifully by Jo Anne Christian and informative wine discussions by Sommelier Sam Hovland, and it's pretty near perfect. On Wednesday, October 15, members were treated to food and wine that might have been served at the Savoy in London shortly after 1898, when Auguste Escoffier and César Ritz teamed up to revolutionize the restaurant business. Pink Champagne (Aimery 1531 Crémont de Limoux Brut Rosé) flowed while diners sampled blini and caviar, and listened to Anton's flawless rendition of Chopin's Ballade No. 3 in A-flat major. They then retired to the dining room for three incredible dinner courses – *Poulet de Volaille aux Fonds d'artichaut*, *Sole Meunière d'Homard*, and *Headliners' Tournedos Rossini* – accompanied by a Chateau Petit-Freydon Bordeaux Blanc and a Chateau Le Gergey Bordeaux, both magnificent. Dessert was *Pêche Melba*, which Escoffier named for Australian opera diva, Madame Melba, and was served with a kir royale. For each course, Anton played a lovely selection of compositions by Mozart, Debussy, and Handel, along with several requests, providing a dazzling culmination of a not-to-be-forgotten – but hopefully repeated – evening.

— By Kay Allensworth



◆ HEADLINERS FOUNDATION ◆



The Headliners Foundation 2014 Mike Quinn Awards lunch was held on Saturday, September 13, 2014.

Before the luncheon, a panel discussion, *Investigative Reporting: How to Report the High-Impact Story*, moderated by John Lumpkin, former director of the School of Journalism and Strategic Communication at Texas Christian University, Bob Schieffer, College of Communication, provided an insight into stories penned by prominent journalists. Panelists Andrea Ball, *Austin American-Statesman*, Dillon Collier, *KENS 5*, Terri Gruca, *KVUE*, and Miles Moffeit, *The Dallas Morning News*, regaled the audience with tales from the front lines of investigative journalism. Discussing the details of investigative reports such as aging gas line infrastructures and security flaws at Ft. Sam Houston, the panelists discussed the challenges of producing at “your day job” while chasing the more complex, analytical piece.

Common themes in producing a successful story were persistence, the value of expert sources and the importance of editorial support in pursuing a story. In addition the panelists noted intrigue is often trumped by the relentless grind of mining for gold in an investigative story.

Foundation Governor Patti Smith, president and general manager of *KVUE-TV*, summed up the discussion: “Investigative reporting is not about a *gotcha*, it’s about (those points) that make a story better.”

The panel was followed by the Awards luncheon where the 2013 Showcase Award for Enterprise and Innovation winners, Charles E. Green Award winners and 2014/2015 scholarship recipients were recognized.

R.B. Brenner Director, UT School of Journalism at Austin Moody College and former editor at *The Washington Post*, was the featured speaker. At *The Washington Post*, Brenner held several jobs, including Maryland editor, metropolitan editor, Sunday editor and deputy universal news editor. He was one of the primary editors of the newspaper’s coverage of the Virginia Tech shootings, awarded a Pulitzer Prize in 2008. He is also an Ex-Officio member of the Headliners Foundation of Texas Board of Governors.

Mindful of the current climate in which stories are crafted, Brenner reminded the audience that in a sense we are “all publishers.” Confronted with an audience of journalists, students, Foundation Governors and media lovers, Brenner decided to address his comments directly to journalism students.

While there is no substitute for “shoe leather” Brenner shared six characteristics of a great journalist:

1. Develop curiosity, the eternal ingredient.
2. Be a voracious reader and student of your craft.
3. Work hard. Enhance your work ethic.
4. Be tech nimble. Know the tools of your trade.
5. Be numerate so statistics, data and math are easily understood.
6. Be responsive to your audience. Know where they are coming from - the what when and how they are reading stories.

Develop these traits Brenner advised the student journalists, and you will be on the “pathway to depth.”

— By Jane Greig



R.B. Brenner, Director, UT School of Journalism

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Election '14: The voters speak (and) what did they say?

So, who *lost* the elections in Texas on November 4th? That was the focus two nights after the fact as a panel of journalists surveyed election results for a sold-out crowd attending the latest Michele Kay Distinguished Speakers Series presentation at the Headliners Club.



Moderator Ken Herman, Panelists Peggy Fikac, Jonathan Tilove, and Wayne Slater

Moderated by *Austin American-Statesman* columnist Ken Herman, the panel included his Statesman colleague Jonathan Tilove, Peggy Fikac, who writes for the *San Antonio Express-News* and *Houston Chronicle* combo, and Wayne Slater, senior political writer for *The Dallas Morning News*.



Mark and Ellen Morrison with Laurie and Bob Newhouse

Slater said Republicans might swing things too far in one direction as a result of their continued dominance, which might be “the best thing the Democrats have going for them.”

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Responding to Herman’s call for a “lightning round” of reactions, Fikac said “voters like things the way they are and doubled down on Republican leadership.” Tilove added that “non-voters said they didn’t really care.” And Slater suggested that Battleground Texas was really “*Battleship* Texas – they went straight to the bottom.”

Lots of comments focused on Wendy Davis’ losing gubernatorial bid. Because of that result, said Fikac, the Democrats are worse off because “it will be harder to get the charismatic candidate they want to run (in the future).”



Roger & Lee Kintzel, Gene & Carole Francis and Jim & LaVada Steed



Candis & Jack Erskine, Bruce Todd, Jann & Dick Brown

The management of the Davis campaign came in for plenty of criticism, with Tilove noting that the candidate's people wouldn't even let their supporters speak to reporters at campaign events. He said reporters "used to have a lot more access to candidates." Herman called the campaign's effort to keep Davis from talking to the media "an ill conceived and amateurish approach," even though "she had some really good people around her." Slater suggested that Davis "talks like a CPA and acts like a Harvard lawyer (and) never connected with anything."

Nevertheless, there was some sentiment that Davis was stopped before she started. Said Slater, "First, people don't like Barack Obama. He's not popular here. And a Democrat in a 'red state' like Texas didn't have a chance."



Retta van Auken and Robert Schultz

What about some of the candidates who did win? "Abbott is a very pragmatic guy. He's a winner." Slater on Cruz: "He's a star." Herman on Cruz: "People who dismiss him do so at their own peril." Fikac on Cruz: "Very smart. People prayed for Cruz. They see him as a true leader." Fikac on Dan Patrick: "I think he may surprise us, actually." Tilove on Patrick: "A very skilled performer." Herman on George P. Bush: "A very impressive young man."

The Headliners' crowd that gathered for the post-election review sponsored by KVUE, the *American-Statesman* and club president Wallace Smith and his wife, Lanette, included not only a full house of members but also a number of Headliners Foundation scholarship recipients from UT-Austin and students from St. Edward's University.

— By Howard Falkenberg

◆ A MOMENT IN HISTORY ◆

Vincent R. Dinino 1918 - 2014

The iconic director of the University of Texas' Longhorn Band was honored at the UT football game on October 18 by current and alumni band members. It was quite a tribute (see photo).

However, he also had a lengthy history at the Headliners Club. For years he would lead his Band of Renown at the Journalism Awards Gala. The band would play big band tunes during dinner, add punctuations to speeches and then kick it up a notch or two for dancing. They would not stop playing until the wee hours of the morning. He was the epitome of a big band director and he loved the Headliners Club.



1983 Awards Gala. Vince Dinino and his Band of Renown



◆ 30 YEAR EMPLOYEES ◆

Brian Etzel

Brian Etzel, Club Bar Manager for thirty years, makes it seem easy. He and his staff of six somehow keep members supplied with their favorite drinks no matter the event, through hell or high water (or renovation projects!), while keeping their cool. Over the years they have hosted everyone from Vice President Al Gore, President George W. Bush, Pete Townshend of The Who and Lady Bird Johnson, to name a few. Brian feels he has learned more western history from working at the Headliners than he ever would have in school.

A graduate of Clarion University, Brian's business administration degree serves him well as he manages the details of the Club's bar – ordering, inventory oversight, scheduling and supply management. "Under Brian's watchful eye the bar has never lost money in ANY month that he has been in charge - quite an enviable record," notes Sue Meller, Club Manager.

When not at the Club, he and his wife Laurie, an English teacher, like to travel around the country. Of special

interest to Brian was a tour of distilleries on the Bourbon Trail in Kentucky. At home, he brews his own beer, confesses to being hooked on "Game of Thrones," and otherwise likes hanging out with his family and friends. Laurie and Brian have a son Kyle, a graduate of St. Edward's University.

Brian noted that tastes in drinks change from time to time. The old Signature Cocktail of the Club was the "Half and Half", which consisted of equal parts of gin and vodka. People now prefer Manhattans, Old Fashions, and double malt Scotch. Recently, the martini has had a revival, and - thanks to "Sex and the City" - he has even had requests for "The Cosmos."

Brian likes everything about his job, which began when he arrived in Texas from Pennsylvania 30 years ago fresh out of college. He may have started out a Yankee, but I think all would agree he's a true Texan now.

— By Donna Shipley



Pedro Camacho

If you have attended a party at the Headliners Club in the past 30 years, chances are Pedro Camacho was in the kitchen working to make your event perfect. As our lead banquet chef, Pedro makes sure that everything from our casual sandwich buffets to our elegant wedding dinners turns out just right.

30 years ago, Pedro started at the Headliners Club as a dishwasher. Although he was going to school and studying to be an engineer in Mexico, circumstances changed; and to help support his family he came to the US and began working in construction. He heard that the Headliners Club was hiring, and he took the opportunity to try something new. After his first day as a dishwasher he looked at himself and realized he was clean - cleaner than he had been at his construction job - and he liked that!

Pedro watched those around him. He did not speak English yet, and no one in the kitchen spoke Spanish. Although he was intimidated, he studied what each

person was doing and took notes about their different responsibilities in the kitchen. In particular he saw how quickly and precisely the chefs worked with their knives preparing the food each day. Pedro began practicing his

knife skills at home. Eventually, although it was scary he remembers, when given the opportunity he moved up through the kitchen and began learning more and more. The first recipe he learned at the Headliners Club was our famous cornbread... something we still make each day. Pedro now has notebooks full of Headliners recipes that he adds to daily. His drive to learn led him to ACC to study English and pursue his interests. When asked about working at the Headliners Club for 30 years and what continues to make his job interesting, Pedro explained that every day is different at the Headliners

Club - there is a new challenge to figure out and new things to learn.

— McKinnon Morton



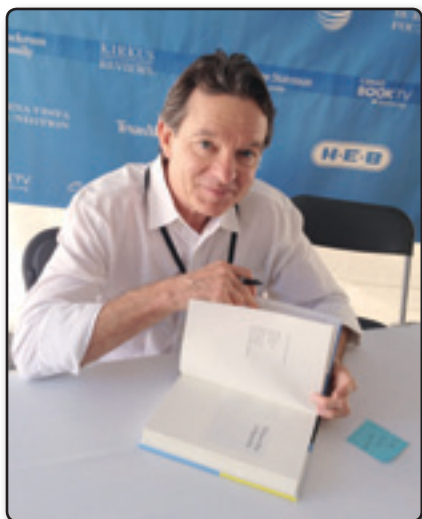
◆ BOOKSHELF ◆



Where We Are Now by Carolyn Osborn

Carolyn Osborn's thoroughly admirable new collection, *Where We Are Now*, is all about those strangers we call family. Osborn's collection is wise, funny, and moving, the mature work of a skilled writer. The characters are vivid — Tennesseans, Texans, and New Mexicans, orphans and parents, aunts and uncles, sisters and brothers. Some are rascals, others are tyrants, and all of them grow on you. Wherever you read *Where We Are Now*, you'll be transported to a front porch on a summer afternoon, where you're delighting in the company of an old friend who is telling you at last the secrets you've wanted to know.

— Laura Furman



Thirteen Days in September by Lawrence Wright

A gripping day-by-day account of the 1978 Camp David conference, when President Jimmy Carter persuaded Israeli prime minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian president Anwar Sadat to sign the first peace treaty in the modern Middle East, one which endures to this day. With his hallmark insight into the forces at play in the Middle East and his acclaimed journalistic skill, Lawrence Wright takes us through each of the thirteen days of the Camp David conference, illuminating the issues that have made the problems of the region so intractable, as well as exploring the scriptural narratives that continue to frame the conflict. *Thirteen Days in September* gives us a resonant work of history and reportage that provides both a timely revisiting of this important diplomatic triumph and an inside look at how peace is made.



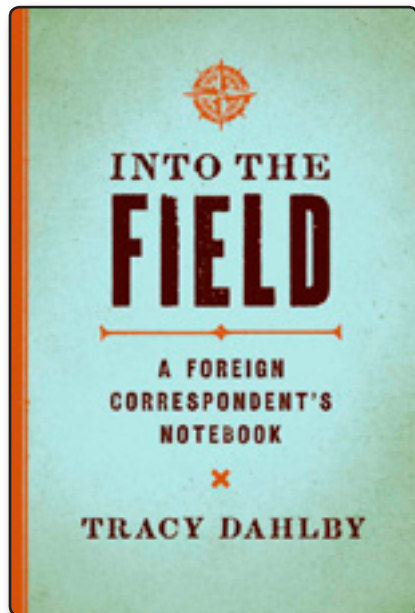
The 5 Elements of Effective Thinking by Edward Burger (pictured) and Michael Starbird

The 5 Elements of Effective Thinking presents practical, lively, and inspiring ways for you to become more successful through better thinking. The idea is simple: You can learn how to think far better by adopting specific strategies. Brilliant people aren't a special breed—they just use their minds differently. By using the straightforward and thought-provoking techniques in *The 5 Elements of Effective Thinking*, you will regularly find imaginative solutions to difficult challenges, and you will discover new ways of looking at your world and yourself—revealing previously hidden opportunities.



Tomlinson Hill by Chris Tomilson

A *New York Times* Best Seller, *Tomlinson Hill* is the stunning story of two families—one white, one black—who trace their roots to a slave plantation that bears their name. A masterpiece of authentic American history, *Tomlinson Hill* traces the true and very revealing story of these two families. From the beginning in 1854 when the first Tomlinson (a white woman) arrived to 2007, when the last Tomlinson left (LaDainian's father), the book unflinchingly explores the history of race and bigotry in Texas. Along the way it also manages to disclose a great many untruths that are latent in the unsettling and complex story of America.



Into The Field by Tracy Dahlby

Tracy Dahlby is an award-winning journalist who has reported internationally as a contributor to *National Geographic* magazine and served as a staff correspondent for *Newsweek* and the *Washington Post*. In this memoir of covering a far-flung swath of Asia, he takes readers behind the scenes to reveal “the stories behind the stories”—the legwork and (mis)adventures of a foreign correspondent on a mission to be the eyes and ears of people back home, helping them understand the forces and events that shape our world.



Devil's Backbone by Bill Wittliff

Master storyteller Bill Wittliff takes readers on an exciting journey through a rough 1880s frontier as full of colorful characters and unexpected turns of events as the great American quest novel *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. Wittliff grew up listening to stories and memories in his own family, and in this imaginative novel, they come to vivid life, creating an engrossing story of a Texas Huck Finn that brims with folk wisdom and sly humor.

◆ SIDELINES ◆

Honors



The Julio Palmaz Award for Innovation in Healthcare and the Biosciences honors individuals who have made significant contributions to advances in these fields. This year's recipient, **Francisco Cigarroa** was honored for his tireless efforts to advance patient safety and medical facilities throughout Texas. (l to r) Julio Palmaz, **Francisco Cigarroa**, BioMed SA Chair Ken Trevett, and President Ann Stevens. *Photo by Joel Spring / www.rxdesign.com.*

The University of Texas honored long-time Longhorn Sports Information Director **Bill Little** with the naming of the football and baseball pressboxes after him. Little attended 36 bowl games with the Longhorns and broadcasted more than 1,700 baseball games. After the dedication they celebrated at the Headlines Club (l to r) **Edith Royal, Bill Little, Marian Dozier** and Bill's wife **Kim Scofield**.



Each year the Association of American Cancer Institutes recognizes individuals who work to advance cancer research and who are unwavering in their support of programs that ease cancer's burden on Americans with their AACI Distinguished Public Service Award. This year's recipient, **Michael McCaul**, is co-chair and founder of the Congressional Childhood Cancer Caucus and a member of the House Cancer Caucus. He has worked tirelessly to advance the childhood cancer agenda on Capitol Hill and has developed strong relationships with cancer centers in his home state of Texas and with the cancer community at large. Pictured with Dr. Ronald DePinho, President of MD Anderson who presented the award to **Congressman McCaul**. *Photo by Toby Jorrin.*



At this year's NYSE Governance Services Leadership Awards, **Dan Burck** was a finalist for Outstanding Non-Executive Chairman of the board for American Campus Communities, a NYSE company. The awards program recognizes exemplary leaders in governance, risk and compliance. Shown with his wife, **Penny Burck**.

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Distinguished Alumnus Awards are granted annually to alumni who have distinguished themselves professionally and through service to The University of Texas. This year, two of the recipients were Headliners: **Dealey Herndon**, pictured with **Charles Matthews** (left) and **Bill Powers**; and **Earl Campbell**. (below)



In conjunction with the Distinguished Alumnus Awards, a special Distinguished Service Award was given this year to an individual who was not a student at the University of Texas at Austin but whose service has made a profound and positive difference to the university. **Jody Conradt** was the head coach of the University of Texas' women's basketball team from 1976-2007. Pictured with one of the 2014 DAA award winners Matthew McConaughey and Texas Exes Executive Director and CEO **Leslie Cedar**.



Each year, the Harvey Penick Award for Excellence in the Game of Life is presented to a prominent leader whose life emulates that of the first recipient, golf legend, Harvey Penick. This year **Frank Denius** was honored by Caritas with this award. Shown here with Former UT Head Coach Mack Brown and Former UT and NFL players Ted Koy and Vince Young. *Photo by Sandy Carson*

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The Texas Business Hall of Fame honored **Donald Evans** at the 32nd Annual Induction Dinner. Inductees are chosen for their distinguished accomplishments in business and their contributions to the development of a healthy, dynamic community in Texas and to the state's overall economic well-being.



Lawrence Wright was honored at the annual Illumine Awards by the Austin Public Library Friends Foundation. The Library Foundation's benefit recognizes members of the Austin community for outstanding literary achievement. Wright - an author, screenwriter, playwright and performer, and a staff writer for *The New Yorker* magazine - was recognized for his nonfiction work. Shown here with Founding President of the Austin Public Library Foundation **Sharon Watkins**.



This year Outward Bound honors **Chris Harte**, newspaper publisher and Chairman of the Board of marketing service company Harte Hanks, for his longstanding dedication to the organization. Chris has played a vital leadership role at Outward Bound, sharing his time, talent and support with over thirty years of service to the organization. Outward Bound national board member, Steve Hassenfelt presented the award.
photo by Michael Priest Photography



Skillpoint Alliance hosted their 20th Anniversary Human Capital Honors luncheon to carry out its mission of sustaining industry-led workforce development solutions, while also recognizing the need to develop and provide more educational opportunities for the local community. **Bruce Todd** was the recipient of the first Robert Rutishauser Pioneer Award. His influence on improving school-to-work transitions during his time as mayor of Austin has been instrumental to the growth and expansion of Skillpoint Alliance for over twenty years.

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This year the Center of Public Policy Priorities recognized **Luci Baines Johnson** as CPPP's 2014 Texas Legacy honoree for her dedication to community service. This award is given to individuals who contribute to making Texas a better State not only through philanthropy but also through community work. **Governor Bill Hobby** presented her with the award. *Photo by Brian Diggs.*



MexNet Alliance is an organization of business executives and entrepreneurs of Mexican origin that want to bring about positive change in the community. Every year they honor a Hispanic individual who is considered a "trailblazer" in the community. This year **Eugene Sepulveda** was honored and **Senator Judith Zaffirini** presented him with an Alebrije Award and recognized his incredible contribution to the community during the annual Authentic Mexico Gala at the Long Center. Shown (l to r) with **Judith Zaffirini**, Monica Peraza, Leticia Van de Putte, **Eugene Sepulveda**.

Greenlights has long recognized outstanding Central Texas nonprofits through the esteemed Nonprofit Excellence Awards. This year they recognize *Earl Maxwell* for the tremendous impact he has made, and continues to effect, in Central Texas, by presenting him with the 2nd Annual Libby Malone Community Leader of the Year Award. (L to R) Dennis Cavner, Chair Elect of Greenlights Board of Directors, **Earl Maxwell**, and Gerardo Interiano of Google. *Photo by TriD Photography*



Seen Around the Club

Kerry Cammack (left) and **Senator David Vitter** from Louisiana enjoyed talking at the Headliners Club.



Ben and Leigh Richards (left) were happy to host **Governor Butch Otter** (Idaho) and his wife **Lori** to a nice party at the Headliners Club.



Dean Bob Hutchings (left) was very intrigued by the stories told by **Major General Meir Dagan**, Former Director of the Mossad.

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Celebrations



Bonnie and Ken Moyer had fun on their 50th Wedding Anniversary with “Dinner and a Show” starting at the Headliners Club for dinner, then heading down to the ACL-Live Theater to see Vince Gill.

Headliners helped several of our members celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversaries this year with special private parties at the Club. Congratulations to:



**Nanette and
James Stephens**



Pam and Henry Bell



Mary Lou and Bennie Downing



Jack and Ellie Schneider celebrated their 60th Anniversary with a special family dinner - Congratulations!

Best Wishes to Headliners Newlyweds:

Susan Henricks and **Tom Smerdon** celebrated their wedding with friends at the Headliners Club on August 28.



Peter and Laura Cesaro hosted their rehearsal dinner at the Headliners Club on September 12.

◆ NEW MEMBERS ◆

Robert Barnes, *President & CEO/ IBC Bank- Austin*
Robert Brenner, *Director of the School of Journalism/ University of Texas Austin*
Bryan Burrough, *Special Correspondent/ Vanity Fair*
Robert D. Burton, *Shareholder/ Winstead PC*
Donald Christian, *Chief Executive Officer/ Concordia University Texas*
Jim Cone, *Executive Vice President/ Horizon Bank*
Marion Dozier, *Founder and Former Owner/ Austaco, Inc.*
Carine Feyten, *Chancellor & President/ Texas Woman's University*
Greta Goldsby, *Shareholder/ Winstead PC*
Ann Compton Hughes, *White House Correspondent/ ABC News Washington DC*
Ronald Kirk, *Senior of Counsel/ Gibson Dunn Law Office*
Chris L. Logue, *Central Texas Area President/ NorthStar Bank*
Nan McRaven, *Consultant and Owner/ McRaven Consulting*
Alan T. Moore, *Physician*
Milam Newby, *Managing Partner- Austin/ Vinson & Elkins LLP*
Burl Jonathan Osborne, *General Partner/ Andorra Investments*
Jordan F Reber, *Chief Executive Officer/ U.S. Gold Holdings*
Randa Reckling Roach, *Community Volunteer/ Dallas Woman's Club*
Bryan Scott Sheffield, *President & CEO/ Parsley Energy*
Matthew C. Williamson, *Managing Director- Central & South Texas/ The Beck Group*
Sharon Wood, *Dean of the School of Engineering/ University of Texas Austin*

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Mrs. Frank (Martha Woods) Covert, III
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Fred Winfield Day, Jr.
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Lee Brandon Walker
Walter George Wendlandt

◆ HEADLINERS PARKING ◆

Many of you have noticed that parking in downtown Austin has become increasingly challenging. The parking garage in our building is being affected in the same way as others around us, there are many people looking for parking and less parking spaces available. As a courtesy to our members and guests, the Chase Bank parking garage in our building is working hard to manage who uses their precious parking spaces. The parking attendants will be asking anyone parking in the garage during busy times if they have business in the building. Anyone that says they are coming to the Headliners Club will be given priority to park as long as the garage is not full. Although the Headliners Club cannot validate for any other parking garages, there is a second garage across Lavaca (entrance on 5th street before Lavaca intersection) that is less likely to be full. It is also a Chase Bank building and has a covered walkway that connects to our building over the street. In addition, the Comerica Bank building catty-corner from ours which houses Gloria's restaurant is known as 300 W. 6th, and its parking entrance is on 7th street between Guadalupe & Lavaca. We have heard your concerns and will continue to work on making the parking more convenient. We look forward to seeing you and your guests here very soon.

Thank you,
The Headliners Club

Headliners Club - Schedule of Coming Events

Tuesday, December 23, 2014

****Headliners Christmas Open House****

11:30-1:00 Cocktails & Hors d'Oeuvres

Monday, December 29, 2014

Kids' Movie Night - Frozen

5:15 Dinner Buffet

5:45 Movie Starts

Tuesday, December 30, 2014

Concert Series - Willie Nelson & Family

6:15 pm Cocktails, 7:00 pm Dinner,

7:45 pm Depart for the ACL Moody Theater,

8:00 pm Show

Wednesday, December 31, 2014

New Year's Eve Bash!

8:00 pm Elegant Buffet Dinner

Dance Party with DJ until Midnight

Monday, January 12, 2015

Famous Austinites- Hank Crumpton

5:45 Arrival, 6:15 Seating for Program

Buffet Dinner to Follow

Wednesday, January 28, 2015

***Musical Theatre Program Department of
Theatre and Dance***

5:45 Arrival, 6:15 Seating for Program

Buffet Dinner to Follow

Saturday, January 31, 2015

Concert Series - Pat Green

6:15 pm Cocktails, 7:00 pm Dinner,

7:45 pm Depart for the ACL Moody Theater,

8:00 pm Show

Tuesday, February 3, 2015

G. Harvey Art Show

Details to Follow

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