



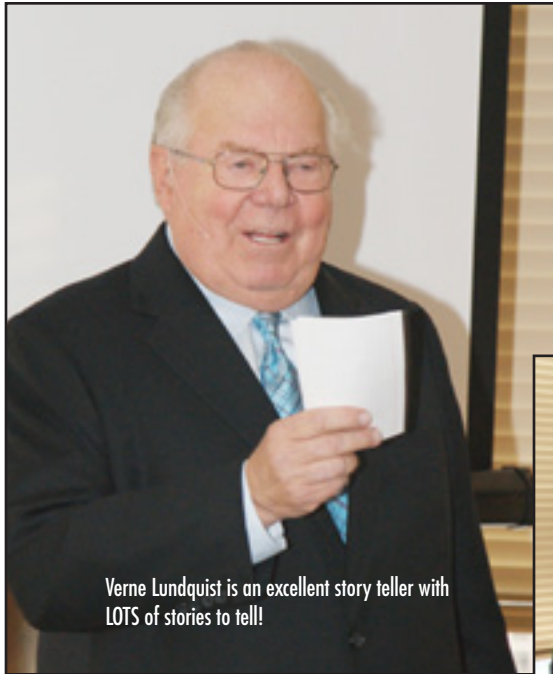
HEADLINES

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♦ FAMOUS AUSTINITES ♦

Verne Lundquist



Verne Lundquist is an excellent story teller with LOTS of stories to tell!



Pre-event preparation- Verne Lundquist, Jon Betts (standing) and Andrew Hollers. We are sure that everyone wishes Andrew the best in his new job as the banquet manager at the Austin Country Club. He worked at the Headliners Club for 12 years.



Two Austin High School graduates who did well in life- Judge Sam Sparks and Verne Lundquist.

Verne Lundquist has one of the most recognizable voices and faces in all of sports television. The Headliners Club was fortunate to have him stop by on his way to do the play-by-play for the much anticipated Texas A&M vs. Alabama football game. Neal Spelce, longtime friend and fellow anchor at KTBC Channel 7, gave the introduction and explained what it takes to be a sportscaster: “They are the true experts in the field of journalism; they are more knowledgeable about their subject than any other journalists and . . . add the pressure of being on live television for three or more hours, adlibbing and then not screwing up enough to get fired.”

Native Austinite and Austin High School grad, Laverne, as he was known at that time, graduated from Texas Lutheran University and then enrolled in the Lutheran School of Theology in Illinois. Simultaneously he got a job as a DJ and, at the insistence of the station owner, changed his name to Verne. After completing a year of seminary he realized theology was not the career for him so he returned to Austin and landed a job at KTBC – FM. Cactus Pryor, KTBC program director, took a chance and hired him as the weekend sports anchor for Channel 7. After three years at KTBC he went to WOAI in San Antonio for a year and then to Channel 8 in Dallas as the sports anchor and radio announcer for the Cowboys for 16 years.

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Headliners' Christmas Party

On December 23rd at 11am you can hear clearly - that special spirit of Headliners begins
You can feel the holidays coming and know it is important to spend time with your friends

There is something magical that occurs on this annual event
Good will, laughter and fellowship seem to be heaven sent

Delicious drinks and good food with wonderful decorations await you and me
But the magic is in the greetings, conversations and friendship - don't you see

Every room has our members enjoying this very special moment of time
Every table has a crowd but with room for others and not a single mime

Then later with your desert and coffee something will happen in the press box bar
The Headliners' ghosts of the past in their minks and tuxedos arrive in time to star

You can hear them talking and laughing, ordering their martinis dry
And toasting one another with the clinking of glasses held high

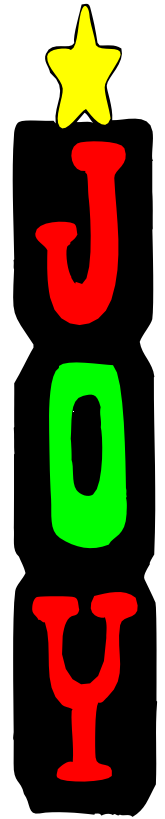
A quick signal to the bartender for another round with a wink and two raised fingers
To ready themselves for listening to beautiful music with the Christmas singers

They are obviously happy knowing they left us with such traditions we still hold
That are grand and have more class and sparkle than that of silver and gold

Headliners must keep this spirit going every year and every day
Continuing to uphold long held traditions of the Headliners' way

So we will see you there and all of us will "let the party continue" as before into the future

— By Sam Sparks



Headliners Club – Schedule of Coming Events

Monday, December 23, 2013

Members Christmas Open House

11:30 am Cocktails and Buffet Lunch

Tuesday, December 31, 2013

New Year's Eve Party

7:00 pm Cocktails

8:00-10:30 pm Dinner and Dancing

Monday, December 30, 2013

Willie Nelson

6:15 pm Cocktails, 7:00 pm Dinner

7:45 pm Depart for the ACL Moody

Theater, 8:00 pm Show

Thursday, January 9, 2014

Inside Track Luncheon with

Fred Burton

11:45 am Buffet Lunch, Program to Follow

Famous Austinites: Verne Lundquist *(continued from page 3)*



Terry Tottenham and Beth Long wait patiently for their guests to arrive.

Lundquist's involvement with the Cowboys led to television football on ABC. His first game was Kent State vs. Ohio Univ. in Kent, Ohio. One of the graduate assistants for Kent State was Nick Saban. Now, when he sees Saban, Lundquist likes to tell him he knew way back then that Saban had a great career ahead of him. He continued to pay his dues by calling small college games. In addition he hosted an enormously successful, sports-related game show in Dallas called *Bowling for Dollars*. His first nationally televised game was Texas vs. Texas A&M in College Station. At the conclusion of the game, still dressed in his mustard yellow ABC jacket and feeling quite smug about his performance, he stopped for gas in Fairfield, TX. When the attendant came out to wipe his windshield he looked in the car, paused and then said, "Rudy, get out here, it's that *Bowling for Dollars* dude."



It was great having Benita and Kenny Dryden at a Headliners evening.

New members Rick and Melissa Bluntzer had fun with old friends and met new people.



Dear friends Edith Royal and Verne Lundquist!



Happy 90th birthday to Terrell Blodgett, who enjoyed the event with Lela Jane Tintman.

Famous Austinites: Verne Lundquist *(continued from page 1)*

In 1982 Lundquist went to CBS to announce college football and in 1984 began his most memorable partnership with Terry Bradshaw calling NFL games. During a production meeting Bradshaw said, "Bubba, let's have us some fun cause there ain't no one watching our games. Let's us invent a football player and see if we can have him play in every one of our games we telecast." Thus began the legend of Willie Anderson, a free agent defensive back from Colby College in Maine. On kickoffs and



John Lewis and his son Rex certainly enjoyed all the sports stories.



Jim and Terry Whorton shared a cocktail and good conversation with Dionne and Bob Green.

punt returns Willie Anderson made a block or tackle, never for the same team, in each of the 14 games they announced. At the end of the season the sports information director from Colby College called to say they had no record of a Willie Anderson attending school there much less playing football.



A gathering of sports enthusiasts: Mike Cotten, Kent Lance, Lundquist, John and Robert Greenwood.

Famous Austinites: Verne Lundquist *(continued from page 4)*



This group reminisced about the early days of television in Austin: Bill Little, Verne, Peggy Pryor (Cactus Pryor's wife) and Neal Spelce.

When CBS lost the NFL broadcasts to Fox Lundquist stayed on and began his transition to PGA events. One of the most memorable moments for him and in the history of the Masters was in 1986. Jack Nicklaus had not won in two years but on the final day of the tournament he took the lead at the 17th hole and went on to win at the age of 46.

The sports stories Lundquist witnessed during his career are counted among some of the greatest. It was a pleasure to hear them told in his signature voice.

— Laurie Hall



Part OU (Sam Wilson) and part UT (Sonia Wilson) with their friend Verne.



Brian Liverman is happy to be a Headliners member again, and happy to meet one of his idols.



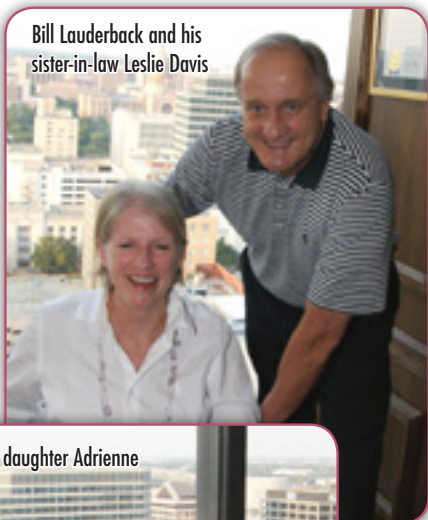
A very special group of friends and family: Dan and Herbie Lundquist, Nancy Lundquist, Edith Royal, Verne, Kim Scofield, Bill Little and Connie and Neal Spelce.

◆ CONCERT SERIES ◆

Damn Right I've Got the Blues would not be what the Headliners members and their guests had as they headed to the Buddy Guy concert.



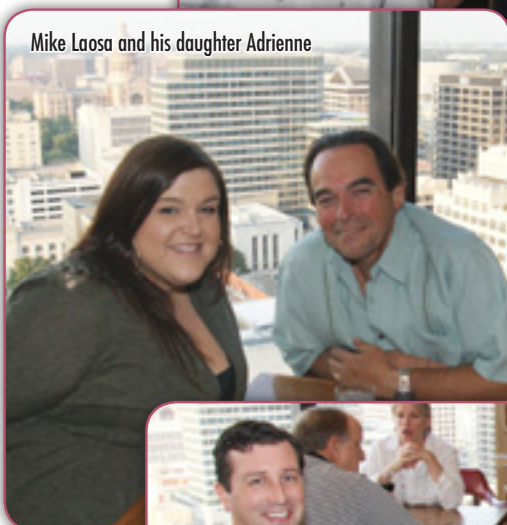
Bill Lauderback and his sister-in-law Leslie Davis



Frank Netherton and Sue Long



Mike Laosa and his daughter Adrienne



Laura and Steve Beurlein



Louis Granger and his sister-in-law Catherine Granger



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Headliners Members and their guests boarded the Friendship Train for an ACL evening with Gladys Knight.

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Manette and Richard Scanio



Johnita and Bill Jones



Bill and Diane Love with friends Joe and Patty Rotunda



Steve and Leslie McConnico



Nikelle Meade and Dohn Larson



Lucy and Vic Kormeier

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Headliners were treated to the incomparable Rocket Man- Sir Elton John



Kris and Danny Krause



Kelly and Jason
Nassour



Dale Lovell and Elaine Crockett



Bobby and Jan Jenkins, Laura Spears with Ann and Meade Bauer



Bill and Pat Munday with Melissa and Kent Ferguson



Clark Covert and Cindy Payne
with Julie Hopkins and Jim Brown



Concert Series (continued from page 8)



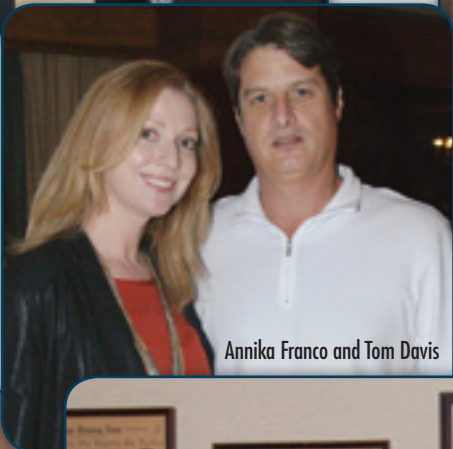
Mike Eledge, Mo Greenwood, Ruth Ann Eledge, Janet Jones, Al Jones, Dean Greenwood



Andrew and Clayton Maebius with Jeff and Carrie McDowell



Grant and Mari Ruckel



Annika Franco and Tom Davis



Mayra Artusi and her daughter Celina



Pat and Katherine Jones with Cristine and Shea Morenz

STEVE



Headliners
members and their
guests headed to
Swingtown with the
Steve Miller Band.

MILLER



Catherine and Sterling Howry



Cheryl and David Armbrust with Jim and Margie Wimberly

BAND



Kay and Craig Enoch (right) were delighted to spend the evening with friends

THOMAS JEFFERSON WINE DINNER

September 18, 2013

Headliners Club's wine committee chairman Jo Anne Christian welcomed concert pianist Anton Nel who believes the Jefferson quote "Music is the favorite passion of my soul."



WWJO?

Wait. It's not what you think.

It's What Would Jefferson Order for dinner at his beloved home, Monticello.

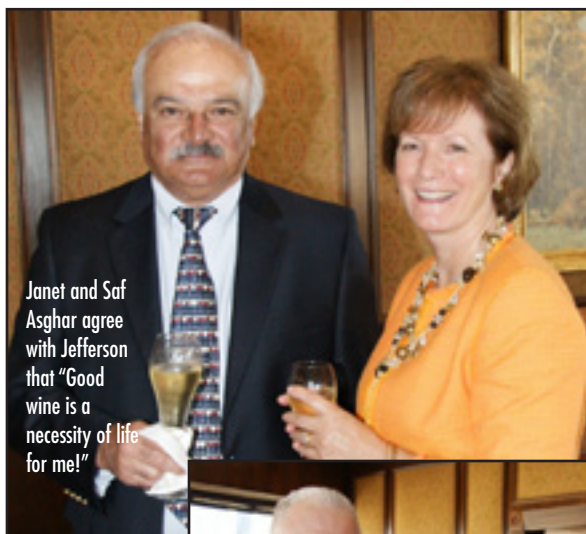
Headliners members received the delicious answer to this question at the Third Annual Jefferson Wine Dinner on September 18. Fabulous food and drink were only part of the evening, however. Jo Anne Christian did her usual superb job of setting the scene, entertaining with tidbits of Jefferson's culinary life, and keeping the atmosphere festive. Sam Hovland, sommelier extraordinaire, chose the wonderful wines and gave fascinating details as to their connection to Jefferson. These included a rich, smoky champagne, which, unfortunately Jefferson thought would never become a trend, but pleased the group, and a Virginia pinot grigio. Interestingly, Jefferson was never successful at cultivating grapes, but Sam was sure that he would have appreciated this vintage. The entrée was paired with a lovely French red followed by a 20-year-old tawny port, both of which would have fit nicely in Jefferson's cellar of Old World wines.



Jerry and Jane Noble with Cathy and Dwight Thompson would echo this Jefferson quote "Life without friends is like a garden without flowers."

The food itself was, naturally, colonial. A first course of catfish soup, which might have come from the Rivanna River in Jefferson's time, was surprisingly tasty. The salad course contained ingredients from Jefferson's garden, followed by a perfectly-prepared beef tenderloin accompanied by English peas, a Jefferson favorite, and fried eggplant, again something that would come from Jefferson's garden. The dessert course was a fantastic trio of chocolate truffle, crème brulee, and watermelon with almonds. While the watermelon might have come from Jefferson's garden, he would also have approved of the Headliners kitchen's choice of the other two.

Thomas Jefferson Wine Dinner *(continued from page 11)*



Janet and Saf Asghar agree with Jefferson that "Good wine is a necessity of life for me!"



Theresa and Joe Long might have said to Anton Nel this Jefferson quote: "A meal without friends is like a day without sunshine."

"I have lived temperately... I double the doctor's (Dr. Bill Jones left) recommendation of a glass and a half of wine each day and even treble it with friends" (Amelia Bullock and Bill Krumpack)



"Music is a companion which will sustain many hours of life," as it has for these two pianists- Anton Nel and Kay Allensworth.



All of this was beautifully enhanced by our very own Anton Nel, who played a flawless program of piano selections from his extensive repertoire between each course. With the glint and clink of glassware, the incredible four-course meal, the lively conversation, informative commentary, and world-class music, the evening was one that members would long remember and resolve to repeat next year.

— Kay Allensworth

"I think it is a great error to consider a heavy tax on wines as a tax on luxury. On the contrary, it is a tax on the health of our citizens." Our wine steward Sam Hovland would concur!



"Good food, good wine, good friends"... Gayle Roche, Stanya Owen and Ann Bomer.

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Famous Austinites: Admiral Bob Inman

September 25, 2013



Admiral Inman spoke on the many challenges of security from China to the Middle East.

One of the best ways to draw a crowd for dinner at the Headliners Club is to announce that Admiral Bobby R. Inman will be the featured speaker. On September 25th this famous Austinite briefed another rapt audience of Headliners members and guests on the status of the Middle East and North Africa, country by country, and offered insight into U.S. government security measures so recently in the news. He spoke without notes, fielded several probing questions from the audience, and concluded perfectly in time for the large room to enjoy a great dinner and lively conversation.



Sherry and Paul Workman were looking forward to the speech, the food and dining with a few fellow Headliners.



It is always nice to have the Inman family at the event: L to R- Tom, Marianne, Nancy and Bob Inman.

Famous Austinites *(continued from page 13)*

In his distinguished career in service of our country, Admiral Inman served as Director of Naval Intelligence, Director of the National Security Agency, and Deputy Director of Central Intelligence. We are fortunate, indeed, that this University of Texas graduate returned to Austin, where he now spends much of his time advising and investing in start-up technology companies.

— Pam McIlhenny



Tom Granger had a lovely evening with Michael McCaul's District Director, Mary Ellen Williams and new daughter in-in-law Jennah Granger.



There is almost nothing better in the world for Kay Stowell than to have dinner with her son Austin.



Candis and Jack Erskine were pleased to learn about national security issues from an expert.

Famous Austinites *(continued from page 14)*



Max Miller enjoyed the evening with his son Mark.



Pam McIlhenny did a great job of covering the event for this newsletter. As a bonus she got to share the evening with her husband Edmund.



New member Charles Granger with his grandmother Ann Butler and Aunt Laurie Hall



Troy Marcus brought his buddy Andrew Solomon to his first famous Austinite's evening.

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Tales of Early Austin from Jeff Kerr

October 10, 2013

One benefit of Headliners membership is the opportunity to gaze out the club's tall windows and survey the actual scene of most of Austin's early history – the Eighth and Congress location of the original State Land Office to the north, as well as the rougher area to the south of the club that only now is fully emerging from its warehouse era.



Jeff Kerr enthralled the audience with interesting stories about Sam Houston, Mirabeau B. Lamar and the founding of Austin.



Judge Sam Sparks introduced Dr. (yes, he is a pediatric neurologist) Jeff Kerr by adding some Texas history from his own family.



This group was clearly enjoying the talk: clockwise from lower right. Bettye Nowlin, Steve Weinburg, Louise Weinberg, Larry Faulkner, Mary Ann Faulkner and Jo Anne Christian.



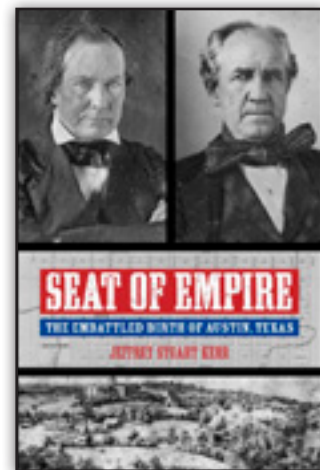
Genie Miller and Carol Nelson really had a good time discussing the establishing of the capital of Texas in Austin with Jeff Kerr.

That original land office was part of the story told to members and guests recently in the Famous Austinites series by three-time book author Jeffrey Kerr. Introduced by club president Sam Sparks, a man with deep Central Texas roots, Kerr entertained the crowd with tales of the battles between Mirabeau Lamar and Sam Houston over the location of the capital.

Famous Austinites *(continued from page 16)*

Kerr noted that these two very opposing personalities hated each other and differed politically. As reflected in Kerr's newest book, Seat of Empire: The Embattled Birth of Austin, Texas, Lamar and Houston each had failings. Lamar was self-righteous to a fault, while Houston was known to some as "the big drunk."

Carolyn Lewis always enjoys an evening with cousin Jeff Kerr.



Janet and Ed Lewis with cousin Sharon Kerr.

But their biggest conflict arose over where the capital would be located. In one three-year period, the seat of Texas government shifted many times, Kerr said. Ultimately, in 1872, Austin beat out Waco in an election to permanently be the capital city.

A crowd of club members listened raptly to Kerr's talk with particular emphasis to his characterizations of Lamar and Houston, two men of such consequence to Texas. Former club president Carolyn Lewis, a cousin of Kerr's wife, and club member Kathleen Davis Niendorff, Kerr's literary agent, were among members of the audience who later may have looked out the windows to visualize those bygone days of the city's infancy.



Cynthia Whitaker was especially pleased to get her book autographed.



Ramona Jones loved sharing the evening with her son Spike Rogers.

— Howard Falkenberg

ITALIAN WINE DINNER

October 30, 2013

The singular drawback to the Italian wine dinner was that it did not take place in Venice. Every other aspect was wonderful. (for details of the wines and the meal see the menu card)



Special guest Leonardo LoCascio, owner of Winebow, a leading importer of fine Italian wines, enthralled the Headliners members and their guests with wine stories and descriptions of the evening's wines.

The evening's special guest was Leonardo LoCascio, Chairman, CEO and founder of Winebow, Inc., Americas leading importer of premium Italian wines. In 1980, Mr. LoCascio left a successful career in corporate finance to become a wine entrepreneur. He gave up a position as vice president at Citibank to follow his dream and launch Winebow.

Mr. LoCascio not only discussed each wine served, he also told numerous interesting stories about wine making and transporting. Did you know that the wine barrel was invented in the time of the Roman empire? Soldiers from Italy were spread over the continent and they missed their wine. The barrel shape was used because it held many gallons of wine and could be rolled. This was important as it was not possible to lift the heavy containers. Fun wine facts!

From the sparkling wine during the reception, to the dessert wine, the food was paired with perfection. An entertaining, educational good time was had by all.



A gathering of people interested in good Italian wines. They were not disappointed!

Italian Wine Dinner *(continued from page 18)*



John and Jennifer Garrett had a delightful evening discussing wines with Mr. LoCascio.



Tucker Hughes enjoyed his first Headliners wine dinner with fiancé Scotti Stroud and sister Lindsey Hughes.



Leonardo LoCascio was pleased to start the evening talking to Becky and Dale Klein and wine committee chairman Jo Anne Christian.



Carolyn and Ron Yokubaitis were looking forward to tasting the excellent Italian wines.



Lori and Scott De La Garza started the evening by enjoying a lovely sparkling rose.



Transition



Bergan Casey

After more than seven years of outstanding service, **Bergan Casey** resigned as the Headliners Foundation's Executive Director to devote more time to her communications firm and family. Bergan provided key leadership in a successful expansion of the Foundation's scholarship, professional awards, education and other programs.

She also coordinated development of the Foundation's robust website and helped oversee the Foundation's endowment. Bergan currently manages Casey Communications, which specializes in non-profit strategic planning, message development and public relations.

Janice Cartwright, who previously served 13 years as executive director of The Real Estate Council of Austin, assumed the executive director role on Sept. 1, 2013. An experienced non-profit organization leader, she provides extensive experience interacting with governing boards. At

RECA, Janice was responsible for operation and administration of a 1,500 member organization and supporting a 50-member board. She is a graduate in business at Texas State and a Certified Public Accountant.

"We have been extremely fortunate to have Bergan as our executive director as the foundation developed new and effective ways to promote high-quality journalism in the State of Texas," said Mark Morrison, foundation chair. "We are equally fortunate that Janice has agreed to join our team. After a seamless transition working closely with Bergan, Janice is already hard at work building on the foundation's strong momentum."



Janice Cartwright

Mike Quinn Awards Luncheon



Panelists Jonathan Tilove, Christy Hoppe, Paul Brown and Karen Tumulty.

Voters are more polarized in 2013 than at any point in the past century, and the inevitable result is governmental dysfunction, Karen Tumulty said recently at the Headliners Foundation of Texas luncheon.

A government divided between Republicans and Democrats is "baked into the system," Tumulty said, and she joins most observers in doubting that the dysfunction will end anytime soon.

Tumulty, political correspondent for *The Washington Post*, spoke on Oct. 19 at the foundation's Mike Quinn awards luncheon recognizing the 11 winners of Charles E. Green awards for excellence in journalism as well as 11 recipients of foundation scholarships.

Headliners Foundation *(continued from page 20)*

Earlier, Tumulty joined Paul Brown of YNN Austin, Christy Hoppe of *The Dallas Morning News* and Jonathan Tilove of the *Austin American-Statesman* in a conversation about political reporting in the internet age. Ross Ramsey of *The Texas Tribune* moderated the discussion. Videos of the panel discussion and Tumulty's presentation as well as details about the award winners and scholarship recipients are available at headlinersfoundation.org.

In her speech, Tumulty identified several trends that have converged to produce a degree of polarization unmatched since the post-Civil War, post-Reconstruction divisions of the Gilded Age, particularly the 1890s.

Democrats enjoy an advantage in the Electoral College by virtue of their majorities in urban areas, while Republicans have leveraged strength at the state level to design voting schemes that give them a structural advantage in the House of Representatives. Voters, meanwhile, are sorting themselves in residential patterns that amplify the two trends, with Democrats clustering in urban areas and Republicans favoring suburban and rural areas.

The absence of negotiations between parties as the budget showdown headed toward government shutdown illustrated the dysfunction vividly, Tumulty said. She fears "that part of the system is not going to change."

Tumulty touched on several other points during her speech and a question-and-answer session that followed:

- In coming months, immigration reform, the farm bill and, in particular, the budget conference will test whether Congress retains any ability to govern.
- She's curious whether President Obama will demonstrate he's learned anything about dealing with Congress during the last few turbulent months.
- On Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas: "I'll be surprised if his Senate colleagues don't sit on him."
- Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ken., is "the most interesting person to watch in politics right now" because of his "wholly formed world view" that has "made Libertarianism cool."
- Of Texas Gov. Rick Perry's prospects as a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination in 2016: "Politics is really, really cruel to someone who goes out and flubs it the first time."

In her parting shot, Tumulty encouraged journalists to rise to the challenge of explaining to their audiences the sources and causes of our current dysfunction: voters and the choices they make.

— Fred Zipp



Luncheon speaker *Washington Post* Correspondent Karen Tumulty.



Dr. Milton Felger, Roddy Scholar Emily Jiminez, Mark Morrison and Nancie Roddy.

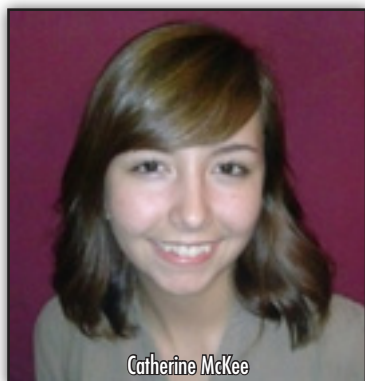


Gary Pickle, Peggy Pickle, Don Cook and Susan Tully.

The Foundation's Investment in Future Journalists

The Headliners Foundation annually awards scholarships to outstanding communication students and college journalists attending universities across the state of Texas. The Headliners Foundation and George Christian Scholars are awarded \$6,000 each per school year. We are proud to feature one of the 2012-2013 scholars and announce the others.

Featured Headliners Foundation Scholar



Catherine McKee is a junior journalism major at Texas Tech University.

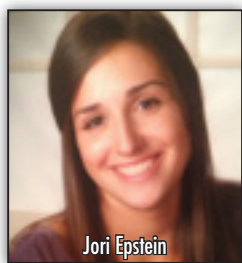
"After transferring to Texas Tech University during my sophomore year, I found a place to call home – *The Daily Toreador* newsroom. Beginning as a news reporter, producing about six stories a week with topics ranging from the presidential election to the Boston Marathon bombing, I worked my way to becoming summer editor in chief of *The Daily Toreador*. In this position I discovered my fascination with design and continued these skills with my role as fall and spring news editor."

"Being a first-generation student as well as a nontraditional, married student, I have relied on academic success and ambition to finance my college career. The support from the Headliners Foundation has allowed me to fully delve into my

journalistic pursuits without the worry of finding a supplemental job."

"When I graduate in December 2014, I plan to pursue a career as a feature writer and would like to write about music and human interests, as I have done in the past with "Lubbock Experiences Gigantour," and "Minister Preaches to Enlighten Students."

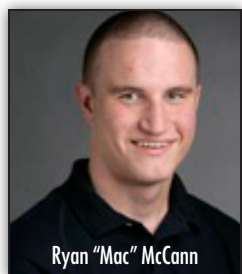
Other Headliners Foundation Scholars



Jori Epstein is a sophomore at UT-Austin pursuing a double major in Plan II Honors and Journalism. As a *Daily Texan* staff member, Jori works as a sports writer, copy editor and occasional opinions columnist. She has also served as a *Dallas Morning News* Student Voices Columnist and a contributing writer for the *Texas Jewish Post*. After two years contributing articles to Dallas' homeless newspaper *Street Zine*, Jori continues to pursue social justice opportunities through writing and editing.

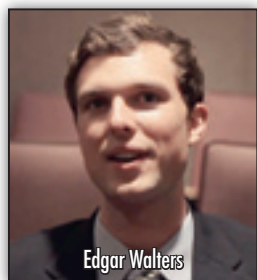


Larisa Manescu is originally from Romania, but she's lived the majority of her life in Canada, the United States and Argentina. Now a junior majoring in journalism and international relations and global studies at UT-Austin, she has been an opinion columnist for *The Daily Texan* since she first stepped onto campus. Her interests lie in foreign correspondent journalism and investigative reporting.

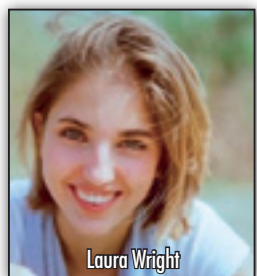


Ryan "Mac" McCann is a sophomore Plan II Honors, Religious Studies and History triple-major at UT-Austin. The Dallas native is currently a columnist for *The Horn*, an Austin-based online publication. He is also a staff writer for *The Texas Travesty*, which is the largest student-produced humor publication in the country. He also interned with the *Dallas Observer*, where he covered mostly music. His articles have also appeared in *The Dallas Morning News*, *The Austin American-Statesman*, *The Huffington Post* and *The Daily Texan*.

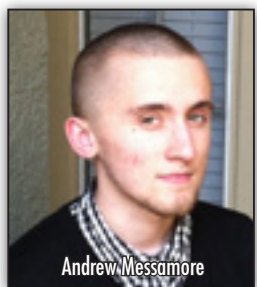
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Edgar Walters is a Plan II junior at UT-Austin. He has worked as a political correspondent at the *Berliner Zeitung*, a daily newspaper in Berlin. He has also worked as a public affairs intern at the Harry Ransom Center, a humanities research archive on the UT campus. He has worked for two semesters as an associate editor at *The Daily Texan*, and is currently an intern at *The Texas Tribune*.



Laura Wright is a senior studying Plan II Honors and Biology at UT-Austin. Previously, she has worked as an Editorial Intern at *Texas Monthly* and a senior writer and regular columnist at *The Daily Texan*. She is currently the Editor-in-Chief of *The Daily Texan*.



George Christian Scholar

Andrew Messamore is a junior at UT-Austin studying sociology and journalism. He has previously worked as an editorial intern for the legislative bureau of *The San Antonio Express-News* and is currently serving as public relations director for *Sociological Insight*, UT's peer reviewed undergraduate journal of sociology. Prior to this fall, Andrew worked as an editor and reporter at *The Daily Texan* for five semesters.



Fill the Granger Suite with Headliners members, journalists and friends of the late Michele Kay, former business editor, Washington correspondent and columnist for the *Austin American-Statesman*. Add reporters from across the state ready to assess what 2014 holds for voters, a welcome by Mark Morrison, Headliners Foundation Chair, introductions by Elizabeth Christian, Headliners member and President, Elizabeth Christian & Associates Public Relations, and a reading by Mary Ann Roser, reporter for the *Austin American-Statesman*. Pour a cocktail (or two) and serve a sumptuous buffet.

That is a recipe for a lively discussion and entertaining event known as the Michele Kay Distinguished Speakers Series.

True to the topic the panel, moderated by Ken Herman, *Austin American-Statesman*, discussed past and present politicians in Texas from David Barton to John Cornyn, Wendy Davis to Greg Abbott, Dan Patrick to Ted Cruz, Rick Perry to David Dewhurst, Tony Sanchez to Joe Straus.

Is a race less interesting if it is between "two suburban lawyers?" Will every candidate concentrate on the votes of "women, minorities and millennials" in order to win? Is victory at the polls a matter of one candidate "running a perfect race, an



Moderator Ken Herman and his wife Sharon Jayson enjoyed chatting with Robert Schultz (Founder of the Michele Kay Distinguished Speaker Series) and Retta Van Auken.

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Dianne Slater, Candis Erskine and Berry Crowley enjoyed catching up with each other before dinner.

opponent screwing up or both?” And by the way, who has the elusive “Elvis quality?”

Peggy Fikac, *The San Antonio Express-News* and *Houston Chronicle*, Harvey Kronberg, *Quorum Report*, Ross Ramsey, *Texas Tribune* and Wayne Slater, *The Dallas Morning News*, left no race or political angle untouched. The questions they raised and opinions they proffered lead to dynamic dinner conversations.

What an evening!

— Jane Greig



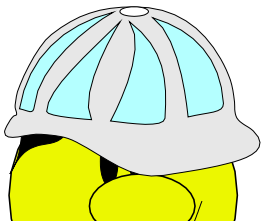
Roger and Lee Kintzel discussed the local political scene with LaVada and Jim Steed.



No Dust, No Glory



As construction in the main bar and back house renovations begin, please excuse the inconvenience. Work will commence after Christmas. The new and improved bar will be up and ready in February. You can look forward to Headliners Happy Hours to christen the new bar. Until then, your patience is appreciated!



◆ BOOKSHELF ◆



JFK's Final Hours in Texas By Julian Read

"I was there." With those simple words, Julian Read, John Connally's media representative, introduces his behind-the-scenes account of that fateful day in 1963, 50 years ago. His meticulous but readable style takes us through those sad days, not only through his eyes, but also through those close to the tragedy. Nellie Connolly, John Connolly III, Lady Bird Johnson, and others are called upon to recount their experiences.

Read also examines the repercussions of what happened a half century ago in Dallas, its negative impact on the state, and how the Texas Book Depository's 6th Floor Museum project, site of Lee Harvey Oswald's heinous act, helped to create the "long journey from anguish to reconciliation." It is a compelling read and one which gives many insights into how such a horrific day shaped the future of Texas, our nation, and the world.

— Kay Allensworth

What Once Seemed Strange: A Memoir of Egyptian Exile from Cairo to Austin by Michele Kay, Mary Ann Roser

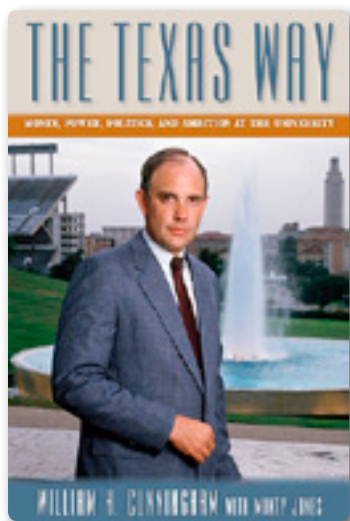
Exiled at 12, Michele Kay takes her readers on a gut-wrenching, painfully lonely, but often exhilarating journey to "home." In this memoir she tells the intensively personal stories of her family's expulsion from Egypt during the 1956 Suez Canal crisis and devastating effects of this displacement on their lives. No matter where her nomadic life took her—London, Hong Kong, Saigon, San Francisco, Paris, Tel Aviv, Washington, Texas—Michele proved, as she once wrote: "life is a series of opportunities... to grab." Mother of two, grandmother of five, she was often described as a "fireball who thought fast, wrote fast and spoke very fast."



The Texas Way: Money, Power, Politics, and Ambition at The University by William H. Cunningham

This engaging memoir details Bill Cunningham's seven years as president of the University of Texas at Austin and his eight years as chancellor of the UT System. Along the way, he relates accounts of the important issues UT faced during that time, including fraternity hazing, affirmative action, the demise of the Southwest Conference and the creation of the Big 12, apartheid and divestment protests, the future of higher education in Texas, and many other issues.

The Texas Way outlines how money, power, politics, and ambition all play roles in the business of running the state's premier university system, particularly in its relations with the state government. As president and then as chancellor, Cunningham dealt with conflict from all sides of the political spectrum, always striving to protect the university's interests.



◆ A MOMENT IN HISTORY ◆

On August 20, 2013 Dr. Ken Prescott passed away in San Antonio. He had a distinguished and varied career which included being a professor at the University of Texas.

Headliners will remember him as the chairman of the special events committee and the originator of the Famous Austinites series. That was back in the mid 1980's and it continues stronger than ever today.



Dr. Prescott is photographed between Karl Rove and Paul Burka at one of Headliner's Point/Counterpoint evenings.

◆ REQUIESCANT IN PACE ◆

Mr. Jon C. Ford

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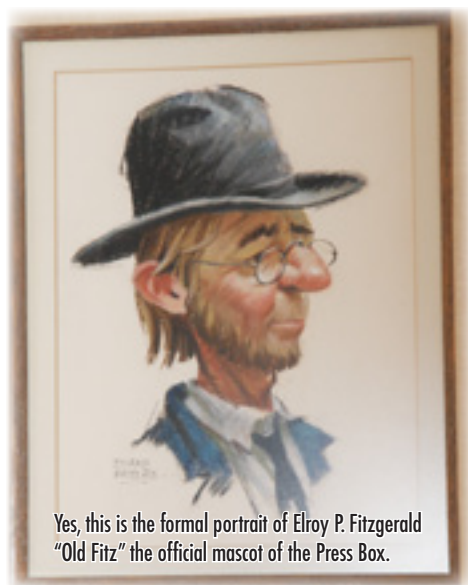
Mr. Cater Harry Joseph

Mrs. Walter (Euna Faye Johnson) Pryor

Ms. Helen Thomas

Mr. Thomas Cedric Townsend

Old Fitz Table



Yes, this is the formal portrait of Elroy P. Fitzgerald "Old Fitz" the official mascot of the Press Box.

That long wooden table in the Club's bar, the Press Box, isn't just a table. It has a name and quite a history as a legendary gathering spot for members of the Capitol Press.

On Fridays, a dozen or two journalists (and others by special invitation) would settle in at the table, adding chairs when needed and sometimes adding another table to include any hangers-on, politicians or lobbyists ripe for some political talk.

They would swap stories as they imbibed on their special cocktail, Old Fitz Old Fashioneds. The heart of the drink – Old Fitzgerald Bourbon Whiskey distilled in Kentucky – became the table's namesake. The Old Fitz Table was the sought-after place to be for a pre-meal drink with those most tuned in to the politics of the moment. Some have called this exclusive group of regulars "a club within the Club." The weekly routine would continue in the dining room, where they enjoyed their midday meal.

The Old Fitz Table actually got its start as a round table in the corner of the bar at the Club's location atop the Westgate Building, but with the move to its current location, the table re-aligned itself as the rectangular table we know today.

But it's not just the table itself that reminds the Club of its storied past. In the Press Box, there are other signs of Old Fitz including framed posters of the whiskey logo autographed by the Old Fitz Table regulars and a caricature of Ol' Fitz himself, whom they dubbed Elroy P. Fitzgerald, who keeps watch over his table.

— Sharon Jayson

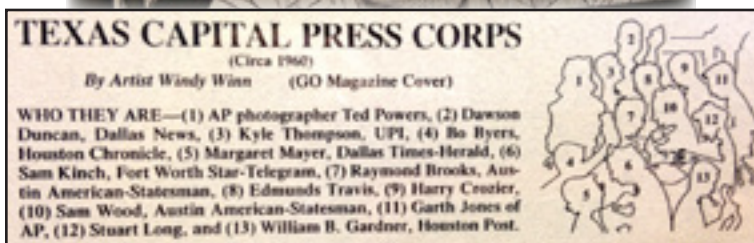
If you look carefully, you can see the faded signatures of the regulars of the Old Fitz table on these special labels.



This pen and ink caricature by Austin artist Windy Winn depicts the Capitol Press Corps (Circa 1960) many of whom spent their daily lunches at the Old Fitz table. Note: #1 Ted Power was the Headliners president in 1969 and #11 Garth Jones was president in 1967.



The official drink of the Old Fitz table- the old Fitz old fashioned is made with old Fitzgerald Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey.



◆ SIDELINES ◆

Honors

photo courtesy of Texas Exes



The University of Texas Alumni Association presents the Distinguished Alumni Awards annually to alumni who have distinguished themselves professionally and through service to The University of Texas. **Wallace Jefferson** was honored this year by the Texas Exes. He is photographed with Texas Exes Chairman John Beckworth and UT President Bill Powers.

Luis Patiño was honored with the Ohtli (Nahuatl word for path) awarded by the Consulate General **Rosalba Ojeda**. This is awarded by the Mexican government to those individuals whose efforts have not only contributed to the well-being, prosperity and empowerment of Mexican communities abroad, but who have also helped pave the way for generations to come. He was photographed at the Club with his wife Liliana.



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 **Ernest and Sarah Butler** were honored by Caritas with this award.

photo courtesy of Nicholas Kwansny



The Library Foundation's annual benefit, *Illumine*, honors members of the Austin community for outstanding literary achievement. This year's non-fiction honoree is **Steven Weinberg**. The author of more than 300 scientific articles, he has also written several scientific treatises as well as books for general readers, most recently *Lake Views – This World and the Universe*. **Dr. Weinberg** is also the Texas Book Festival's 2013 Texas Writer Award Recipient. This is an award given annually to a Texas writer in recognition of outstanding literary achievement.

Sidelines *(continued from page 28)*

Luci Johnson and **Ian Turpin** were honored by the Austin Community Foundation at their Annual Celebration of Giving with the Philanthropy Award. The event was held at the Circuit of the Americas Track. This award was given for their family's generations of giving and philanthropic leadership in our community.



John Sharp was recognized by the Capitol Area Council, Boy Scouts of America for his outstanding leadership in the community with their Distinguished Citizen Award.



John Garrett

This year, five outstanding individuals walked away winners from the Austin Business Journal's Best CEOs awards – two of whom are Headliners members **John Garrett** (Small Business Award) and **Charles Barnett** (Legacy Award). The judges, all past winners, evaluated everything from revenue growth to company culture to come up with the winners.



Seton Healthcare Family Executive Chairman **Charles Barnett** (left) received the annual Legacy award, presented by **Robert Greenwood** of American Bank.



Wendell Mayes received the St. Edward's University Lifelong Learning Achievement Award, which honors graduates who continue to pursue self-development, with a focus on civic and academic achievement, throughout their lives. Mayes' first degree, a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, was received from Texas Tech University in 1949. He graduated Summa Cum Laude from St. Edward's with a Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science in 2002 at age 78. He then earned a Master of Liberal Arts in 2005 and a Master of Business Administration in 2006 from St. Edward's University. At the awards ceremony, it was also announced that Mayes (pictured here with his daughters Cathey and Sarah,) has completed all requirements for a PhD in Finance from Walden University of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Sidelines *(continued from page 29)*

As a special one-time award due to extraordinary leadership during the Special Sessions this summer, Planned Parenthood was proud to honor Senator **Kirk Watson** for his mastery of Senate rules, fearless focus under pressure, and unwavering commitment to women's health with the Hail Mary Award. He is shown here with Planned Parenthood board member **Robbie Ausley**.



Photo credit: Bryant Hill

Seen Around the Club



Former United States Senator from Indiana and former Chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, **Richard Lugar** (center) was seen at a luncheon with **Tom Granger**, **Ben Turner**, **Geoff Connor**, **Lewis Lucke** and **Rosalba Ojeda**.

The Headliners Club was happy to host the Secretary of Economy of Mexico, Ildefonso Guajardo. Shown here (l to r) **James Taylor**, **Alejandro Ruelas**, Secretary **Ildefonso Guajardo**, Ambassador **Rosalba Ojeda** and **Luis Patiño**.



Celebrations

Congratulations to the Dean of the College of Pharmacy at UT **Lynn Crismon** and Jeanette Wickwire who married in Austin this fall.

◆ NEW MEMBERS ◆

Jason Becker, *President / Central National Bank*

Matt Berry, Jr., *Senior Vice President / William Gammon Insurance*

Rick Bluntzer, *Senior Vice President / CEO, EZCORP*

Jennifer (Jenny) Boone, *Vice President & Controller, Foodservice Management Systems, Inc*

Ted Read Browning, *Owner / Shorty's Pizza Shack*

Deborah Bynum, *Attorney / Department of Justice*

Cory Canon, *Attorney / Self Employed*

Scott de la Garza, *Partner, Attorney, DLG Luce Salazar PLLC*

John P. Devine, *Justice / Supreme Court of Texas*

Richard (Rick) W. Donley, *President / Beer Alliance of Texas*

Mark Eidman, *Principal / Ryan LLC*

Stephen H. Erickson, *General Counsel / Eye Mall Media*

Charles Thompson Granger, IV, *Co-Owner / Capital Beverage*

Roy Granger, *Sales & Marketing / All-American Hose LLC*

Tracey Hime

Tere Holmes, *Vice President New Market Development/ Children's Learning Adventure*

Todd Janssen, *Managing Principal / Bury*

Edward (Ed) W. Lick, *Austin Market President / BB&T Bank*

Brian Liverman, *Partner / Peloton Commercial Real Estate*

Travis Lucas, *Counsel / Madison Policy Group*

Lana Macrum-Craig, *Executive Director Private Bank Group / JPMorgan Chase Bank*

M. Troy Marcus, *Vice President- Acquisitions / Mimco, Inc.*

Charles Matthews, *Attorney / Exxon Mobil*

Michael McCormick, *Vice President Business Development / Apogee Telecom, Inc.*

Rodney Molitor, *President / Cook – Walden Funeral Homes & Cemeteries*

Luis Patino, *Senior Vice President / Univision TV Group*

Stephen W. "Steve" Patterson, *Athletics Director / University of Texas at Austin*

Mary Schneider Pitts, *President / Pitts Construction Inc.*

Ward Tisdale, *President / Real Estate Council Austin*

Will Wilson, III, *Associate / Goldman Sachs*

James G. "Butch" Worley, *Deputy Director of Men's Athletics / University of Texas at Austin*

Legacy Memberships

Now Through December 31, 2013

*The **Legacy Membership** category was created so that families long associated with the club could encourage the next generation to become members while the older generation is still involved in Headliners. The Club bylaws describe a Legacy member as "...a person who is the offspring (biological or adopted) or grandchild of a current member, that member having held membership in the Club for no less than 10 years". While Legacy Memberships have been available for some time, last year the Board limited them to eligible persons under the age of 45. Several members have commented that they were unaware of the rule change and had legacies 45 years old or older wanting to join, and the Club wants to be sure all who are interested take advantage of the favorable terms, so the age ceiling has been suspended for 2013.*

Therefore, from now until the end of the year, Legacy Memberships will be available for qualifying individuals of any age.

*Legacy members also have the distinct advantage of an 80% discount on their initiation fee when they join the club. The current Resident Membership initiation fee is **\$7,500**, while the Legacy Membership initiation fee is only **\$1,500!***

Your letter, along with a letter from another current member are the first steps. Help the next generation join the Headliners Club today by sending in your letter of recommendation!

But Wait!! There's More...

On January 1, 2014:

- The Regular Resident membership initiation fee will increase to \$8,500*
- The Legacy Membership initiation fee will increase to \$2,500.*

*Encourage new members
of any age to join in 2013!*

◆ HEADLINERS CLUB HOUSE RULES ◆

1. Hours of Operation and Limitations

- A. The Headliners Club is open Mondays-Fridays from 9 a.m. until 11 p.m. and on Saturdays from 5:30 p.m. until midnight. Closed Sundays.
- B. Food Service
 - Breakfast: By special arrangement with the Catering Office
 - Luncheon: 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Weekdays, Main Buffet
11:30 a.m.–2 p.m. Weekdays, Casual Dining room
11:30 a.m.–2 p.m.–Press Box Bar Weekdays
 - Dinner: 6 p.m.–9:30 p.m. Weekdays
6 p.m.–10 p.m. Saturdays
 - Bar: 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Weekdays
5:30 p.m.–11:30 p.m. Saturdays
- C. Alcoholic beverage serving hours in the Club always are subject to change immediately following any change in the rulings of the Texas Alcohol Beverage Commission.
- D. Alcoholic beverages will not be served to persons under 21 years of age. Upon request, guests will be expected to present age verification.

2. Club Dress Code

- A. At lunch, coats and ties not required. Casual attire accepted in any part of the Club. (No shorts)
- B. On private party occasions, the dress code is set by the host or hostess, depending on the occasion or theme of the event.
- C. After 6 p.m., coat required (ties optional) in the main Dining Rooms.
- D. After 6 p.m., coat required (ties optional) in the Main Lounge.
- E. Coat and tie are not required in the Press Box in the evening.
- F. It is understood that ladies who come to the Headliners Club will dress with dignity and decorum by their own choice.

3. Cell Phones

- A. Cell phones may not be used in the dining areas.
- B. Cell phone calls may be made in the areas immediately adjacent to the land-based phone stations.

4. Parking Rates

Chase Bank Tower provides parking at a special rate for Headliners Club members and their guests at \$5.00 flat rate per vehicle.

Revamped Dinner Menu!

The Headliners Club has always boasted unbeatable views of Austin, stunning service and a great menu. Although through the years the menu has been modified, an all new dinner menu was debuted for a la carte service last year. Once again we have updated the menu with new additions and favorites. Our chefs and staff are very excited about the new items we are offering. *The Dim Sum Style Pork & Cabbage Dumpling* appetizer, *The Baby Kale Salad*, *Niman Ranch Center Cut Pork Chop* and *Tempura Halibut* are among the members' favorite new items. We've been hearing rave reviews so . . . Come see for yourself!

Headliners Nightly Dinner Menu Report

-Haute Cuisine with Texas Personality-

The chefs create many delicious specials each night. Ask your waiter for details.

Headliners Club serving leaders & their guests since 1954

To begin With

Fresh Soup Daily- Cup...4 or Bowl...6

Appetizer Special- See your server for details about tonight's delicious special.

Dim Sum Style Pork & Cabbage Dumplings- served with ponzu sauce & pickled vegetables...9

Traditional Shrimp Cocktail- four jumbo Gulf shrimp served with house red sauce & lemon wedge...13

Texas Gulf Coast Jumbo Blue Crab Cake-one cake of large lump crab seasoned to perfection then sautéed in smoke point butter served with coriander orange chipotle beurre blanc & sautéed onion...11

Garden Report

Headliners House Salad- mixed greens tossed in champagne vinaigrette, pears, prosciutto, pistachios, & belle blanche cheese...7

Baby Kale Salad- tender young kale leaves, red grapes, red tear drop tomatoes, red onion, grilled croutons & Grana Padano cheese tossed with white balsamic cashew vinaigrette...6

Headliners Caesar Salad-crisp romaine heart, herbed croutons, roasted sweet peppers, reggiano cheese tossed in Headliners Caesar dressing...6

Avocado & Heart of Palm Salad-bibb lettuce, cilantro vinaigrette, baby tomatoes & Bermuda red onion...7

Wild Cherry, Candied Pecan & Lone Star Goat Cheese Salad- fresh mixed greens, cherries, pecans, tear drop tomato, & white balsamic vinaigrette...6

November & December
2013

Ranch & Farm Report

6 oz. USDA Prime Tenderloin~char grilled, Creole mustard butter, blue cheese whipped potatoes & fresh seasonal vegetables...46

12 oz. USDA Prime Niman Ranch Ribeye~ sweated onions & shiitake mushrooms, blue cheese whipped potatoes & fresh seasonal vegetables...48

Niman Ranch Center Cut Pork Chop~ white port, shredded granny Smith apple & gorgonzola cheese sauce...29

Veal Scaloppini~tender pan fried veal with preserved lemon cream, kalamata olive, currant tapenade & fresh seasonal vegetables...35

8 oz. Charbroiled Lamb Chops~port wine, black currants, veal reduction with goat cheese whipped potatoes & fresh seasonal vegetables...37

Pan Roasted Marinated Chicken Breast~ spicy blistered cherry tomatoes & oregano, herb gorgonzola sprinkle, smoked tasso asparagus risotto...23

Oceanic Exploration

Grilled Seabass~delicate flaky seabass served atop maple sweet potato risotto & finished with shallot pecan sauce...36

Tempura Halibut~ crispy halibut cheeks with honey sake glazed carrots & potatoes...35

Texas Gulf Coast Jumbo Blue Crab Cakes~two cakes with coriander orange chipotle beurre blanc, sautéed onion, fresh seasonal vegetables...27

Headliners Crab & Shrimp Salad~ avocado, crab & shrimp rémoulade salad, mixed crisp greens tossed with Champagne vinaigrette, croutons, Roma tomatoes & cucumbers...18

Herb & Panko Crusted Fried Shrimp~ choice of red sauce or gribiche sauce, fresh seasonal vegetables...Four...17, Six...22 or Eight...27

Quality Market Fresh Seafood~our chef shops daily for the freshest seafood prepared: grilled, broiled, fried or baked served with smoked tasso asparagus risotto & fresh seasonal vegetables...Market Price

This establishment prepares food in accordance with health code policies so please be advised that ordering & consuming raw or partially cooked meat, fish or poultry could be harmful to your health.

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