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5 Kid-Friendly Things to Do in Lakeway ...When It's Cold Outside

As temperatures drop, here are five fun indoor things to do with your kids:

1. Hit the Lake Travis Library for story time – with a story time for all ages, the library is a great (heated) place to relax this winter. Find out more in our feature story on the other side. 263-2885
2. Go to a Lake Travis High School boys or girls basketball game – Your kids will have a great time, and it won't hurt the pocket book. Schedule is online at <http://www.ltidschools.org/lths>.
3. Play at Hoppin' House – let the kids run, jump, and tumble off their energy at Lakeway's indoor inflatable playground. 263-0060.
4. Let them play outside while you're inside – for some reason kids can handle the cold when parents can't. Have the best of both worlds at Waterloo Ice House. Kids can play outside on the playground, while grownups munch on hamburgers from behind glass doors. 263-3130.
5. Sign the kids up for classes at Lakeway Activity Center – from sports to dance, these organized classes will entertain your children. 261-1010.

Don't Miss Out on Great Lakeway Deals: Use Twitter!

If you're into sharing pictures of the kids or socializing with neighbors, you are probably on Facebook. But people and businesses are turning more and more to Twitter to let friends and customers know what they're doing.

Twitter is a "micro-blogging" service where users post short updates about what they're doing, called "tweets". Each tweet is limited to 140 characters.

Why should you use Twitter? In addition to keeping up with friends, local Lake Travis businesses use it to keep you posted about special deals. For example, Tony C's and The Cigar Room post daily specials and events on Twitter.

All you have to do is sign up for an account at Twitter.com and then search for each of these local businesses using the name below. Click the "follow" button, and you're on your way to savings.

@TonyCsPizza - get daily food and drink specials

@ColoradoRiverTR - updates from LCRA's Colorado River Trail

@lakewaygifts - updates from Point of Origin gift shop

@LakewayResort - learn about events, resort specials, and more

@TheCigarRoom - don't miss the daily specials tweets

@vino100lakeway - follow to make sure you don't miss any of its events

@FreeChapelATX - church updates and verse from FreeChapel

@LTChamber - find out what's going on at the Lake Travis Chamber of Commerce

@TwinLiquors - the latest happenings at the Lakeway and new Hill Country Galleria locations

@LakewayCom - quite possibly the most important person to follow on Twitter!

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Books and More at The Lake Travis Library

If you haven’t been to the Lake Travis Community Library in a while, you’re missing out on a whole lot more than books.

The library carries audiobooks, large print titles, board books for toddlers, music, magazines, electronic books, databases, magazines for children, and, yes, books for all ages. If you need a free way to fill your cozy winter evenings, the library should be high on your list.

It’s also a great place for social activities. “We have five library book clubs, three story times a week, a craft club, a memoir writing group, a pajama story time once a month, a weekly after-school reading program, Love the Earth Camp twice a month, genealogy classes, computer help sessions, and more,” said Library Director Morgan McMillian. “We have something to offer everyone in the community.”



Holiday Story Time - Thursday, December 17 at 6 p.m.

The special event for December is the popular Holiday Story Time on Thursday, December 17 at 6 p.m. Holiday stories, songs, and treats will create a festive mood. You won’t want to miss the special guest!

Here are some other events at Lake Travis Community Library:

Teen Book Club: meets Sunday, December 6 at 4 p.m. at the library. All junior high and high school students are invited to discuss M.T. Anderson’s *Feed*. This fantasy novel is set in a future world where computers are implanted directly into people’s brains when they are babies and is sure to provoke much debate. Pizza will be served! See www.laketralvislibrary.com/bookclub.htm for details about the four adult book clubs offered at the library.

Memoir Writing Group: meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. The purpose of the group is to remember, write, and support each other in the process. At meetings participants listen to a writing prompt, write for about 20 minutes, and share stories with each other. Library staff member Mary Jo Finch is the facilitator of this popular new group.

Computer Help sessions: Thursday mornings at 9 a.m. before the library opens. If you have questions about searching the Internet, adding attachments to a Word documents, operating your digital camera, or opening an email account, please plan to attend.

Genealogy Group: meets Friday mornings at 9 a.m. to access computer databases, share information, and get advice from experts.

Read It!: Program for 5-8-year olds on Wednesdays at 3:15 p.m. The group reads several chapters from a novel, completes an accompanying activity, and enjoys a light snack.

Pajama Storytime: Wear your sleepwear in public on the third Tuesday every month at 6:15 p.m. for a pajama storytime with a bedtime theme.

Weekly Storytimes: Preschoolers meet on Mondays at 10:30 a.m., toddler story time is held on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., and babies are welcome to attend a story time on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. with songs and fingerplays.

Need details? Call the library at 263-2885.

How Lakeway.com Came Home to Texas

For many years, Lakeway.com wasn’t a web site about the Lake Travis community. The web address Lakeway.com was registered by a Canadian man back in 1995. His last name was Lake, so he figured “Lakeway” would be a good web address for his computer consulting business.

In late 2006, local entrepreneur Andrew Allemann contacted the owner to try to purchase the domain name. After a bit of negotiation (in other words, Mr. Lake not budging at all), Allemann agreed to buy the domain name. It took a little while to get around to turning Lakeway.com into what it is today, but now the web site is the key directory for south Lake Travis residents and visitors looking for businesses and events in the area.

Lakeway.com is advertised extensively. You may have seen our ad running on CNN, Fox News, News 8 Austin, and A&E, or in the LTHS football program.

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