

# Leon Springs business group holds inaugural mixer

More than 30 Leon Springs community and business leaders gathered May 11 at Los Encinos Hill Country Estate, 24183 Boerne Stage Road, for the first mixer of the new Leon Springs Business Association.

Amid light refreshments and friendly conversation, the group was welcomed by Susan Allen, president of Texas Heritage Bank in Leon Springs, one of the association's founders.

In brief remarks, another member, Mike Taylor, encouraged those present to participate in this fledgling grass-roots effort.

"We all expect a lot of growth in this area and, if we can all chip in and share information, it would help us all," he said.

"Right now, we have no specific set of goals."

Taylor passed out a four-question survey to gauge what those goals might be.

One highlight of the early-evening gathering was introduction of a Web site for the association.

Constructed by photographers Karen and Winfield Little, the new site, [www.leonspringstx.com](http://www.leonspringstx.com), "is designed to be a resource for people here in the area,"



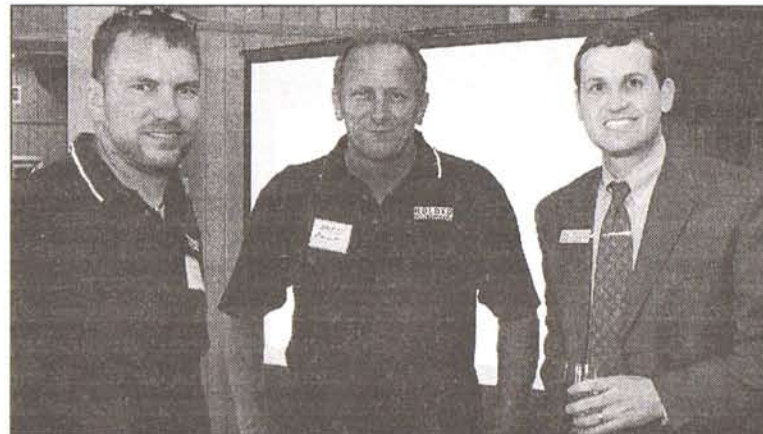
Local business and professional leaders gathered for the first mixer of the Leon Springs Business Association.



Karen and Winfield Little designed the group's new Web site.



Susan Allen, president of Texas Heritage Bank, chats with Jeffrey Javer of PFI Factors.



From left, Danny Holder, Brent Bennett and Cliff Blessing

explained Karen Little. As news and events from local businesses is submitted, the site will become another

source of information for the area, she added.

Refreshments for the mixer were donated by local

businesses, including Las Palapas, the Longhorn Café, Pape Nacho's, Chick-fil-A at DeZavala Road and IH-10,

Lons Encinos, the Leon Springs Times and Lucy's Cake Shop.

The business association's next meeting is set for June 8 at the Scenic Loop Café, 25615 Boerne Stage Road.

The evening will feature a presentation by Greg Malatek, district engineer for the Texas Department of Transportation, who is expected to discuss local highway improvement projects and their effects on Leon Springs.

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