

# *Lakeway Associates of the Seton Development Board raises \$31,000 for Seton Shoal Creek Psychiatric Hospital*

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This year's Lakeway Seton Associates raised \$31,000 for Seton Hospital. The funds are earmarked for Seton Shoal Creek Hospital, the only psychiatric hospital in Austin that treats children, adolescents, adults and senior adults who are experiencing emotional and/or substance abuse difficulties. The Lakeway Seton Associates is the only group that supports that part of Seton, so the donation is especially important to them.

LaNell Edwards, outgoing president of the Lakeway Associates, presented Edward Olemado, director of major gifts for the Seton Development Board, with a check for \$31,000 at the general meeting held at the Hills Country Club on May 25<sup>th</sup>.

The Lakeway Associates of the Seton Development Board was founded in 1981 as an education, fundraising and public relations organization for Seton Hospital. Over the years they have raised more than \$120,000 for projects and services at Seton. All fund raising efforts are directed to Seton Shoal Creek Psychiatric Hospital.

Most people rarely think of hospitals until they need one. Shoal Creek Psychiatric Hospital, in addition to being the only psychiatric hospital in Austin, has licensed staff that are on call 24-hours a day to address the mental health needs of patients and their families. The hospital also facilities a wide range of support groups which meet on a regular basis.

This year's fundraising efforts include an annual gala to be held in March. More information about this event will be forthcoming as we get closer to the date.

If you'd like to get involved with a worthwhile organization of volunteers who donate their time, talents and money, then the Lakeway Seton Associates is the place for you.

For more information, call President Cindy Kotrady at 267-1797.

