

CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN

Olan Kelley, Mayor mayor@highlandhaventx.com

Drought Update

- Drought conditions persist, our area has been in a drought cycle ranging from moderate to extreme drought status for several years now.
- Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District has mandated a 15% water reduction for all groundwater systems.
- Our groundwater permit has been reduced from 82 acre to 69 acre-feet—please continue conserving water!
- The City of Highland Haven has initiated restrictions for lawn watering to once a week, consistent with LCRA restrictions.
- The City of Highland Haven is required to have a drought continency plan and we are currently at Stage 4, please review our webpage for more details about our restrictions.
 - o Highland Haven Drought-Contingency Plan
- Effective January 1, 2025, Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District initiated Drought Stage 4 restrictions, please review their website for more details.
 - o Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District Drought Management Plan
- Effective March 3, 2025, LCRA initiated their Drought Stage 2 restrictions, please review their website for more details.
 - o LCRA Domestic Water Use Rules

Legislative Updates

- The Board of Aldermen recently passed <u>Resolution 364</u>, outlining the city's legislative priorities for the **89th Texas Legislature**. This resolution details the city's stance on proposed legislation and emphasizes the importance of **decisions made by local elected officials.**
- Highland Haven supports legislation that preserves the authority of local elected officials to govern our
 community, rather than having those powers preempted by state laws. While some bills may be aimed at addressing
 issues in larger cities, they often have unintended consequences that negatively impact smaller communities like
 ours.
- Residents are encouraged to stay informed and engage with state lawmakers by writing letters/emails to our representative and senator. The full resolution, summaries of key bills, and sample letters for contacting representatives are available on our website: HighlandHavenTX.com/legislative-issues.

Burnet County Waste Collection Event

- When: Saturday, April 26, 2025
- See **Burnet County BOPATE Waste Collection Event Flyer** for details as to what will be accepted.

Landscape Planning

- Plan for continued drought—70% of residential water use goes to landscaping!
- Use native, drought-resistant plants & check these resources:
 - See CTGCD March Newsletter
 - Lawn & Landscape Tips
 - o Tree Planting Guide
- Trim tree limbs to 15 feet above streets for emergency vehicles & large trucks.

City Meetings – Join Us!

- **Board of Aldermen:** April 1, 7pm & April 15 @ 5PM (Community Center)
- **Planning & Zoning:** April 10 @ 6 PM (Community Center)
- **Joint meeting BOA with P&Z:** April 15 @ 5PM (Community Center)
- Check out our website to review city meeting agendas and minutes.

City Services & Resources

- Trash & Recycling Schedule: Waste Services
- Building Permits: Contact Tom Weaver at (830) 265-4366 or buildingpermits@highlandhaventx.com
- City Website: Subscribe for alerts & updates!



Meet Burnet ISD Superintendent Dr. Jeff Casaway BOA meeting - Tuesday, April 1st

Emergency Preparedness

We never know when an emergency may occur. I am sure that the recent hailstorm in Kerrville was not anticipated by those living there.

Be ready for weather & emergencies! Build your emergency kit:

- Texas Ready Checklist
- FEMA Emergency Kit Guide
- Sign up for **local emergency alerts**: <u>Emergency Resources</u>

Stay informed and engaged with your city, thank you for being part of Highland Haven!

HIGHLAND HAVEN LADIES CLUB

Sherry Moore, Secretary

This year's rummage sale was a tremendous success! After expenses, the sale netted a whopping \$11,033.14. Our residents deserve a giant THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU for this years' donations.

Approximately 55 people attended our March Potluck Dinner. If you were unable to attend, you missed out on a wide variety of scrumptious casseroles. *Sherry Moore* recognized BOA members *Don Hagans, Terry Smith, Lynn*



Smith, Terry Nuss and Mayor Olan Kelley for their service to our community. Judy Kelley was also recognized for her 14+ years as the community newsletter editor.

It's time to select officers for the 2025-2026 year (President, Vice-President, Secretary, or Treasurer). Consider serving on the

board and help guide the organization as members select & plan next years' community events. All ladies in Highland Haven are automatic members of the Ladies Club. Join us and become an active and important part of the Highland Haven Ladies Club to help continue guiding this ever-increasing community spirit and our future events!

UPCOMING RECYCLE/WASTE COLLECTIONS Saturday/April 26 - BOPATE

Burnet County Waste Collection Event https://www.burnetcountytexas.org/upload/page/0052/BOPATE%20eng.pdf

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE Sunday, April 20, 2025 ... 8AM ... Dove Park

Please join *Pastor George Leader of Grace Community Church* (Granite Shoals) in this very special Easter celebration. Bring your own chair or sit in your buggy & enjoy the service. Love offerings going to a local food pantry will be available & greatly appreciated.

PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

Greg Rabaey, President

Need a Place for your Memorial Day Party?

Let the Highland Haven Community Center be your destination for your Memorial Day or Fourth of July celebrations. We now have large room AND small library room rental options! Our Community Center is affordable and includes tables, chairs, and full kitchen facilities to accommodate up to 180 people. Residents may rent the WHOLE facility for \$200 or rent the library room with Kitchen for a small party for \$60. Non-Residents may rent the WHOLE facility for \$350 and Library room with Kitchen for \$100. Our Community Center has broadband WIFI access as part of your rental.

Sunrise Easter Service:

Join our community-wide Sunrise Easter Service at 8am at Dove Park! All are welcome.

Thanks to our Volunteers!

Please take a few minutes this week to THANK ALL our volunteers.

Tuesday/April 1 - BOA meeting/7:00pm

Marble Falls ISD Superintendent, Dr. Jeff Gasaway, will be at the April 1, 2025 Board of Aldermen meeting to make a presentation about the upcoming May bond election. We would appreciate high attendance at the meeting to learn more about the proposed bonds and ask questions of Dr. Gasaway.



A BIG Thank You!

Silver Sneakers Gals and Guys

A BIG Thank You to *Lorinda Peters*! She's at the community center each Tuesday and Friday from 11:45 to 12:45. She helps us strengthen our muscles, increase our balance & stability and build up endurance & bone density ... making it fun as we go.

Come and join us ... you will be glad you did!



CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN **APRIL 2025**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		BOA meeting 7:00 pm Guest Dr. Jeff Gasaway	2	3 Trash & Recycle	Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	5
6	7 Quilting -10 am Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 Bridge 7 pm	8	9	POA Business meeting 5:00 pm	11 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	12
13	14 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 Bridge 7 pm	Joint BOA and P&Z meeting 5:00 pm Federal Income Tax Day	NO Ladies Club meeting	17 Trash & Recycle	18 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	19
Easter Services 8:00 am Dove Park	21 Quilting -10 am Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 Bridge 7 pm	22	Bingo 1:00 pm Game Night 7:00 pm	24 Trash	25 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	BOPATE 9am-1pm See flyer for addt'l information
30	Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 Bridge 7 pm	Potluck Dinner 6:00 Social 6:30 Dinner	30 Bingo – 1:00pm Game Night 7:00 pm	May 1 Trash & Recycle	May 2 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	May 3

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