

HIGHLAND HAVEN LADIES CLUB Mary Chase, President

"Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall." By F. Scott Fitzgerald

September is the year start for the Highland Haven Ladies Club and we are ready to go!

There were 39 ladies that attended the September meeting. We shared plans for the next few months and had great conversation and suggestions. Our first event Taco Trivia held on Friday September 12th was attended by 22 residents and facilitated by Angela and Chris Whitley. Chicken tacos were served with lots **LADIES CLUB** of fun and competition to follow! The games are played in teams with the questions

displayed on the big screen, answers written and total correct answers for each team calculated. It's \$5 to join in the 2 rounds and pots rewarded to the winning team each round. Trivia night will continue to occur the second Friday of each month; 6:30 food is served with games to follow at 7:00. Join us Friday October 10th!

Creative classes are being planned and will occur on the first Wednesday of the month. The first class is a Sourdough workshop by Mary Chase and Donna Green at the community center. The class times may vary but the date is planned to remain the same each month.



Oktoberfest will be celebrated a little late in our community. October 18 is the date we are planning an afternoon festival at the Community Center with Bratwurst and outside games. Bring a side dish (German for the creative folks out there), appetizer or dessert. We are attempting to arrange live music.

Hopefully the fall coolness with be with us by then! Look for more information about this event and mark you calendars to join us!

Potlucks are beginning again after the summer break. October 28 we kick off with a BBQ Potluck with meat provided by the Ladies club. We will be recognizing last years' Ladies Club officers. The Granite Shoals Fire department will smoke brisket and pork shoulder for us. Bring your side dish, appetizer or dessert. After Potluck we will play Bingo at no charge with loaves of sourdough prizes for the winners. Potluck starts at 6:00 with social time followed by dinner at 6:00.

Afternoon bingo and game night will continue. They generally fall on the third or fourth Wednesday of the month. September 24 we are going to try a community BUNCO game at 7:00.

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Next Ladies Club Meeting November 12th The Ladies Club also focusses on service in our community. We are currently looking for a Benevolence chairperson. This committee assists residents with funeral receptions, provides food and consolation to the family after the death of their loved one.

We also have a Care committee that assists residents with many needs. Rides, meals, and other needs. At our meeting we discussed ways to increase the awareness of this service. Look for more information to come out. Let any of the Ladies Club officers know if you want to assist or you need assistance.



The HHPOA Board is aware that repairs are needed at several locations: the Swan Park pier, the Dove Park boat ramp, the Dove Park pier, and the swim dock at Dove Park. These repairs are necessary to ensure safety and continued enjoyment of our parks by all residents. To address these concerns, the board reviewed quotes and approved funds to complete the work at both parks. Please join the Board members in thanking *Nancy Crumley* for her work and diligence in identifying these needed repairs and obtaining quotes from qualified contractors.

With summertime activities winding down and fall holidays approaching, it's time to start planning family gettogethers, holiday parties, and other festivities. Please remember that the Highland Haven Community Center is available—either in whole or in part—for these special events, and it's never too early to reserve your preferred date and time. For more information regarding availability and rental fees, please contact *Kellie Coppenger* at kelliecoppenger@gmail.com. We look forward to helping you make your celebrations special at the Highland Haven Community Center.



Townhall Meetings for Comprehensive Plan

- The P&Z continues to work on a new Comprehensive Plan and has planned several Townhall Meetings to gather more information from citizens. The first **Townhall Meeting** is scheduled for **September 25th at 6:00** PM at the Community Center.
- Our current Comprehensive Plan was developed in 2004 and received some minor updates in 2014.
- Additional Townhall Meetings are scheduled for October 23, November 20 and January 22. Watch the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting agendas for more information. Each Townhall will highlight and focus on a different part of the comprehensive plan. https://highlandhaventx.com/agendas-minutes/

Water Bond

- The Board of Alderman passed an ordinance to order a bond election, scheduled for November 4, 2025. This proposed general obligation bond is for the purchase of 8.36 acres of property that includes 2 of the city's water wells and to address critical water system repairs and upgrades.
- The proposed bond will not require any increases to property tax rates or water rates.
- Here is a link to our website with more information about the proposed bond project.
 https://cdn.townweb.com/highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Fiscal-Year-2025-2026-2.mp4

• For more information attend the Board of Aldermen meetings, check out our website, or contact City Hall and we will meet with you to answer any questions.

City Meetings

- **Board of Aldermen:** The BOA is continuing work on the budget for next year at each Board meeting. Next BOA meeting is October 7th, 7pm, Highland Haven Community Center.
- Planning & Zoning:
- Next Regular Meeting: October 9th, at 6:00 PM at Highland Haven Community Center.
- Check out our website to review BOA and P&Z meeting agendas and minutes.

Solid Waste Services

- Burnet County will hold a Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection event on Saturday, October 25, 2025, from 9 AM to 1 PM at the Burnet County Reuse Recycle Center, located at 2411 FM 963, outside of Burnet.
- For more information click link below. https://www.burnetcountytexas.org/upload/page/0052/HHW%20Flyer%20English-side%201.pdf

Highland Haven Utilities

• Water customers should have received their annual Customer Confidence Report. Our drinking water is safe and meets Texas Commission on Environmental Quality water quality requirements Should have any questions, please contact City Hall.

Drought Update

- The City of Highland Haven is required to have a drought continency plan and we are now at Stage 2; please review our webpage for more details.
 - o <u>Highland Haven Drought-Contingency Plan</u>
- Our water system is permitted by the Central Texas Groundwater District and the District issued Stage 2 drought status effective July 28 at their monthly board meeting.
- CTGCD meets monthly and the Board of Directors consider aquafer levels and determine the drought status for groundwater use in Burnet County.
- Property owners and residents are encouraged to schedule your sprinkler system to once a week using the recommended days below.
 - Odd addresses water lawns on Saturday
 - Hours: Midnight to 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. to midnight.
 - o Even addresses water lawns on Sunday
 - Hours: Midnight to 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. to midnight.

City Services & Resources

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

Burnet County Reuse and Recycle Center October 25th, 2025 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM 2411 FM 963 (2 miles E of 281) Burnet, TX 78611

See flyer for What To Take And What To *NOT* Take



HIGHLAND HAVEN COMMUNITY ENTRANCE SIGN Patsy Craven

The original Highland Haven sign was built in May of 2004. The Ladies Club paid all costs in the amount of \$3,500. With today's inflation that would now cost \$18,210.00!! Unfortunately that sign blew down in June of 2025.

In May of 2022, that 21 year old sign was starting to look a little rough. That's when the Ladies Club voted, and set aside \$8,000, to start the process of getting a new sign. Little did **Mary Kay Lawrence**, **Laura Stubblefield** and **I** know what was ahead of us! You see, the city does not own that property. Without going into details...it was over a 3 year period to get to where we are today! We needed an additional \$5,000 to cover increased cost. We were also helped out with \$1,350 donations from our community! We have a wonderful, caring community! Thank you if you helped put our ideas from paper to reality.



Hope you have driven by and noticed the new improved version of our Highland Haven sign. The poles are steel, the top and sign are cedar and the hardware is iron. The solar lights work awesome at night. There is just a little more work to be done on the base, and should be completed by next week. Hopefully we can all enjoy and be proud of our sign for the next 20+ years!



RECAP OF HIGHLAND HAVEN LADIES CLUB

Patsy Craven, past Ladies Club Treasurer

All ladies in the Highland Haven community are members. The only source of revenue is our yearly Rummage Sale held each March. The money is used for donations to local charities and neighborhood projects. To name just a few of those projects: Community Center kitchen remodel, marble table at Dove Park, benches to stop and rest on throughout the community, canoe dock at Swan Park, Christmas dinners, Potlucks, phone directories, yearly sponsor of 3 community newsletters, purchase of military flags to display on special holidays, the new outside bulletin board and the last big project, our new community entrance sign. All these projects have required volunteers! Ladies, you are encouraged to attend, make new friends and help with decisions for future projects. Your help is needed! Also, to stay up-to-date with current LC info, attend Potluck dinners and check the monthly newsletter for the LC article.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Sourdough Class 2:00pm Contact Mary Chase	2 Trash & Recycle	3	4
5	6 Quilting -10 am Bridge 7 pm	7 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 ~~~ BOA meeting 7:00 pm	NO Ladies Club Meeting	9 P&Z Mtg 6:00 Trash	Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45 Music Bingo 6:30 Food 7:00 Game	11
12	13 Columbus Day Navy Birthday Bridge 7 pm	14 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45	15	Boss's Day HHPOA Mtg 5:30 Trash & Recycle	17 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	Oktoberfest
19	20 Quilting -10 am Bridge 7 pm	21 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 ~~~ BOA meeting 7:00 pm	22 Bingo 1:00 pm Game Night 7:00pm	2nd Town Hall Meeting 6pm Trash	24 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45 Newsletter article deadline	25 Burnet County Household Hazardous Waste Collection 9-1
26	27 Bridge 7 pm	28 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 POTLUCK 6:00 Social 6:30 Dinner	29	30 Trash & Recycle	Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45 Halloween	November 1