

HIGHLAND HAVEN NEWS

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Last edition for 2022

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CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN

Olan Kelley, Mayor

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We indeed have a lot to be thankful for here in Highland Haven. Take some time to visit with your family, friends, and neighbors during these holidays, especially those that are unable to get out as much. The Ladies' Club has again planned a great community Christmas Dinner for Sunday, December 11. Be safe, have fun, and give thanks during these holidays!

Community Services

- The holidays can be stressful for some. Please take a moment to check out these community services that are available in our area. Pass along to anyone experiencing a difficult time and in need of assistance. Both provide a wide range of compassionate services.
 - o Community Resource Center <https://crctx.org/>
 - o Highland Lakes Crisis Network <https://www.highlandlakescrisisnetwork.com/>

City Hall Office Holiday Hours

- Office will be closed for Thanksgiving November 24-25.
- Office will be closed for Christmas and New Year's December 21-January 2.
- Staff will intermittently be in the office handling required business December 26-30.
- For Fire, EMS, and Sheriff's Office emergencies, call 911.
- For City and Water System emergencies call 830-265-4366 and tell the answering service operator that it is an emergency or call the mayor 512-413-9031.

Board of Alderman

- Next BOA meeting is 7pm, December 6. This will be the last scheduled meeting for the year.
- BOA meetings will resume on January 10 at 7pm.
- BOA meetings are open to the public. Residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.
- BOA meetings are held in the Community Center.

Planning and Zoning Commission

- Next meeting is 6pm, December 8. This will be the last scheduled meeting for the year.
- P&Z meetings will resume January 12 at 6pm.
- Residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.
- P&Z meetings are held in the Community Center.

Water System

- **We are still in Stage 4 CRITICAL drought conditions.** Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District moved into Stage 4 CRITICAL drought conditions effective June 13th. Stage 4 is the highest out of a total of four stages. **Stage 4 calls for voluntary conservation of groundwater by 30 percent.** Our water system is permitted by the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District.
- **Property owners irrigating with private wells and lake water should also be following the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District and LCRA restrictions.**

- Reduce outdoor water usage and follow the LCRA lawn watering schedule below.
 - Wednesdays and Saturdays for addresses ending in odd numbers.
 - Thursdays and Sundays for addresses ending in even numbers.
 - **Hours: Midnight to 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. to Midnight.**

Trees and Shrubs

- This is the time of the year to plant new trees. Please take time to plan to avoid future problems when the tree is fully grown. Below are some resources to consider before planting.
 - Backbone Nursery
 - <https://backbonevalleynursery.com/tree-planting-instructions/>
 - Pedernales Electric
 - <https://www.pec.coop/reliability/vegetation-maintenance/planting-guidelines/>
 - Highland Haven
 - <https://cdn.townweb.com/highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/ORDINANCE-37-210803-REV-6-1.pdf>
- Contact Pedernales Electric Cooperative if you have limbs that could fall and damage powerlines.
 - <https://www.pec.coop/safety/yard/#:~:text=Tree%20Trimming&text=If%20you%20see%20trees%20growing,to%20safely%20clear%20the%20vegetation.>
- Please check and make sure your tree limbs are trimmed back to provide a minimum clearance of 15' above streets to accommodate emergency vehicles, trash trucks and RV's.

Fire Safety

- The County wide Burn Ban has been lifted. Please take this opportunity to dispose of all brush and lawn trimmings stacked on your property.
- Be sure to follow the requirements in our ordinances regarding outdoor burning
 - <https://cdn.townweb.com/highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/ORDINANCE-027-210504-REV-3.-DOC.pdf>
 - <https://cdn.townweb.com/highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/ORDINANCE-058-210504-REV-5.pdf>

Solid Waste Service

- Trash service will be Friday 11/25, the day after Thanksgiving.
- Highland Haven Trash and Recycling Schedule can be found at
 - <https://highlandhaventx.com/waste-services/>

Municipal Elections

- Municipal Elections are typically scheduled for May and candidate filing is typically open mid-January through mid-February. We will post a notice once dates are confirmed with the State.
- 3 Alderman positions are scheduled for election. The incumbents are **Lynn Smith, Lorinda Peters, and Terry Smith.**

Building Permits

- If you have questions regarding the permitting process or whether your project requires a permit, contact us at buildingpermits@highlandhaventx.com or (830) 265-4366 office or (210)710-8739.
- Tom Weaver is our Building Permit Official and can help you with the permit.

Check out our updated website!

- Software upgrades were required. The website looks different but still contains the same information.
- Visit the website, <https://highlandhaventx.com/>, and subscribe to receive emails and texts when items are posted to the website.
- **You can subscribe to receive emergency alerts from the City via text, email, or both.**
 - <https://highlandhaventx.com/subscribe-to-updates/>

- We encourage you to use our website to find information about our Board of Alderman and Planning & Zoning meetings; water and solid waste services (including pay online options), agendas, forms, permits, community activities, news, notices **AND MORE!**

Emergency Preparedness / FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plans

- **Now is the time to prepare for winter emergencies.** Below are links to information to help you prepare for an emergency.
 - <https://texasready.gov/build-a-kit/disaster-supply-checklist.html>
 - <https://www.ready.gov/kit>
 - <https://www.weather.gov/owlie/emergencysupplieskit>
 - <https://www.fema.gov/blog/10-items-include-your-emergency-kit>
- **It is never too early to sign up for emergency early warning notices.** You can now click on this link and sign up for the following. <https://highlandhaventx.com/emergency-resources/>
 - **Warn Central Texas**
 - **LCRA Floodgate Operations Notification Service (FONS)**
 - **LCRA Flood Operations Report**
 - **LCRA Hydromet**

**NO
Potluck Dinner
in
November**

HIGHLAND HAVEN LADIES CLUB

Sherry Hume, President

Thank you, Ladies, for your hard work. The updated HHLC Bylaws were approved at the Ladies Club November 9th meeting. You can view these Bylaws on the HH City Website in the Ladies Club Section under the Community drop down menu.

The October Potluck was Wonderful... Thanks to Our hostesses **Teresa & Terry Smith, Suzanne & Tom Weaver, Mary Readel, & VonDean Wolf**, to all those who attended and brought yummy food, to all those who dressed in costumes, to **Shree Zinsitz** for her donation & coordination with *Chick fil-A*, *Chick fil-A* representative **JD** & his son “the Cow”, and **Kameron & Haley Ellenberger**.



Game Nights have been fun. They're on hold for now ... but starting up again on January 4th. Bring a game you would like to play or just show up and join in the fun. Bring a snack to share if you'd like & BYOB.



The Veterans Day Appreciation Gathering was Beautiful. Thanks to Our Hostesses Patsy Craven and Sally Cooper. Thanks to Bill & Christina Nabors, and Ray Estrada Jr. for our Flag display. Thanks to Fred Dutton for offering to lead a parade that was unfortunately canceled due to bad weather. And most of all, Thanks to Our Veterans and their Spouses. In attendance were Veterans, Spouses & friends that covered many different eras, even as far back as WWII. Thank You for Your Service to Our Great Nation.





Dates to Remember

- RSVP for the Christmas Dinner to Sherry Hume @ 210-305-3594. RSVP Deadline is 11/27/22.
(See flyer for more details)
- We do NOT have a potluck in November.
- Christmas CC & Bridge Decorating ... 12/5/22 @ 10am; contact Pat Koehn about the CC Decorating & Lynn Smith about the Bridge Decorating
- Christmas Dinner ... Sunday, 12/11/22 @ 6pm (Social) & 6:30pm (Meal). Come Share a wonderful Meal catered by Miss Vickie's. *Please bring a side dish &/or dessert to share. **We will also have a collection box for non-perishable food items to give to a local charity. (See flyer for more details)
- Ladies Club Gift Exchange ... 12/14/22 @ 1pm.
*Please bring some finger foods (savory or sweet) &/or dessert to share. **If you wish to play in the gift exchange games, bring a gift under \$15. NO GAG GIFTS...Thanks. Contact Molly Chenault for more info.
- Christmas Yard Decorations & Lighting Contest ... 12/15/22; contact Suzanne Weaver for more info.
- Next Game Night... Wednesday January 4th in the CC @ 7pm
- Annual Rummage Sale ... March 3rd & 4th, 2023. This is The Ladies Club's main fundraiser of the year. It's an ALL-HANDS-ON-DECK Event! Please start saving your gently used/no longer desired treasures. Thank You!



Christmas Dinner Dec 11th, 2022

At the Community Center
6pm Social
6:30pm Meal

Please bring
a Side Dish &/or Dessert to share

We will have a Non-Perishable Food Collection Box
You can bring items to donate to a local charity

RSVP to Sherry Hume (210) 305-3594 by November 27th, 2022

CONDOLENCES

Our Condolences to Valerie Cook & family. On November 12th, just one day after Veterans Day, we lost Our WWII Veteran & friend, **Billy Hazelwood**. Billy moved to Highland Haven in 1998. He enjoyed photography and could often be found walking about taking photos. If you ever visited the Rock Shop on the Llano Square, you may have met Billy there. After retirement, Billy ran the Rock Shop after his father closed it, due to health reasons.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/legacyremembers/billy-hazlewood-obituary?id=37547072>

Mike Kersey passed away Sunday, November 13th. Please keep **Sue Kersey** & family. In your thoughts & prayers. Mike became a Highland Lakes Master Naturalist and joined many other volunteer groups. Living in Texas was a dream come true for both he & Sue with boating, playing golf, watching football, beautiful Texas sunsets and all the wonderful birds and wildlife. Mike truly loved life and lived it to the fullest enjoying each day.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/highlandernews/name/mike-kersey-obituary?id=38191112>

Bruce Lutringer passed away on Saturday, November 19th. Bruce moved to Highland Haven after his retirement from the Austin Police Department. Bruce enjoyed riding his motorcycle, ski trips with friends and traveling – especially cruise vacations. Please keep his family in your prayers. A visitation for Bruce will be held Wednesday, November 30, 2022, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Cook-Walden Funeral Home, 6100 North Lamar, Austin, TX 78752, followed by a funeral service from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/austin-tx/bruce-lutringer-11027701>

PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Greg Rabaey, President

Need a Place for a Holiday Party?

Let the Highland Haven Community Center be your destination for your Holiday 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. AND, Thanks to a partnership with the City of Highland Haven, we now have broadband WIFI access as part of your rental.

Kellie Coppenger 409-504-5666 to Book your next fellowship with friends and family.

Nominations are now OPEN for POA Board Positions

The POA is seeking nominations for the following board positions for 2023: President, Park & Grounds Coordinator, and Trailers & Storage Area Coordinator. If you have any questions regarding responsibilities for each position, please contact **Greg Rabaey**, gregabaey@gmail.com. Ballots will be mailed the first week in January with results presented at the February Biannual meeting. Our community has always had strong volunteers. Supporting each other is what makes Highland Haven a great community. Please consider serving in one of these positions.

THANK YOU to all our POA volunteers!


Please take minute this week to THANK our ALL volunteer POA Board Members.



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December 2022




| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| Nov 27 | Nov 28 <i>Quilting</i> 10 am <i>Silver Sneakers</i> 11:45 – 12:45 <i>Bridge</i> 7 pm | Nov 29 | Nov 30 | 1 <i>Trash & Recycle</i> | 2 <i>Circuit Class</i> 11:45 – 12:45 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 <i>Quilting</i> 10 am <i>Silver Sneakers</i> 11:45 – 12:45 <i>Bridge</i> 7 pm | 6 BOA meeting 7:00 pm | 7 | 8 P&Z meeting 6:00 pm <i>Trash</i> | 9 <i>Circuit Class</i> 11:45 – 12:45 | 10 |
| 11 Christmas Dinner 6:00  | 12 <i>Quilting</i> 10 am <i>Silver Sneakers</i> 11:45 – 12:45 <i>Bridge</i> 7 pm | 13 | 14 Ladies Club Gift exchange 1pm  | 15 Turn Your Lights ON for Yard Decoration Judging <i>Trash & Recycle</i> | 16 <i>Circuit Class</i> 11:45 – 12:45 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 <i>Quilting</i> 10 am <i>Silver Sneakers</i> 11:45 – 12:45 <i>Bridge</i> 7 pm | 20 | 21 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">City Offices closed Dec 21 – Jan 2</div> | 22 <i>Trash</i> | 23 <i>Circuit Class</i> 11:45 – 12:45 | 24 |
| 25  | 26 <i>Silver Sneakers</i> 11:45 – 12:45 | 27 | 28 | 29 <i>Trash & Recycle</i> | 30 <i>Circuit Class</i> 11:45 – 12:45 | 31  |
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January 2023



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|---|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------|
| 1  | 2 <i>Silver Sneakers</i> 11:45 – 12:45 <div>City Offices closed</div> | 3 | 4 <i>Game Night</i> 7:00 CC | 5 <i>Trash</i> | 6 <i>Circuit Class</i> 11:45 – 12:45 | 7 |
| 8 | 9 Labor Day <i>Quilting</i> 10 am <i>Silver Sneakers</i> 11:45 – 12:45 <i>Bridge</i> 7 pm | 10 BOA meeting 7:00 pm | 11 <i>Ladies Club</i> Mtg 1 pm | 12 P&Z meeting 6:00 pm <i>Trash & Recycle</i> | 13 <i>Circuit Class</i> 11:45 – 12:45 | 13 |
| 15 | 16 <i>Quilting</i> 10 am <i>Silver Sneakers</i> 11:45 – 12:45 <i>Bridge</i> 7 pm | 17 | 18 | 19 <i>HHPOA meeting</i> 6:00 pm <i>Trash</i> | 20 <i>Circuit Class</i> 11:45 – 12:45 | 21 <i>National Hug Day</i> |
| 22 | 23 <i>Quilting</i> 10 am <i>Silver Sneakers</i> 11:45 – 12:45 <i>Bridge</i> 7 pm | 24 | 25 | 26 <i>Trash & Recycle</i> | 27 <i>Circuit Class</i> 11:45 – 12:45 <i>HH Newsletter</i> article deadline 5:00 pm | 28 |
| 29 | 30 <i>Quilting</i> 10 am <i>Silver Sneakers</i> 11:45 – 12:45 <i>Bridge</i> 7 pm | 31 | | | | |

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