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Next Meeting:
Dec 9th

This has been a great Fall season so far. The weather has cooled off and we have had some rain. Myself, I thank God for every drop of rain, no matter the amount that we get.

It is voting season. We should look at all the candidates that are running for office very closely. If all the mud slinging is true, how can we vote for any of them? The things that they are accused of doing, then the promises they make....I can't believe anything they say. I don't trust any of them as far as I can spit.

Our final board meeting for the year went very smooth. I would like to again thank everyone who attended and that support this community. I want to especially thank the Ladies Club for handling the ballots and the counting. They were a great help! I would also like to thank Noveleen Parker for the cake that she baked and brought, and my wife, Liz Hughes, for the cookies that she baked. Thanks to everyone for eating them so I wouldn't have to bring them home and gain a few pounds. I would like to thank Giles Summerlin for coming to the meeting to explain everything to us. Thanks to Patsy Craven for all the hard work and time that she gave in getting everything ready and to Tem Moody for finding the deed on the second part and making it all go smoother.

We are looking for two people who are willing to do our yearly audit. Donna Gingras will be happy to advise you on what needs to be done. Being on the Board, she cannot do the audit.

We are also looking for another person who is willing to serve on the nominating committee to help find people to serve on the Board. We need three new Directors in the coming year.

Thanks again to the men who take care of mowing and weed eating our parks. They are the best! When you see them, remember to tell them thanks for the great job that they do. They are Joseph Lightsey, James Garrow, Glenn French, Richard Holgate, Ed Cruz, Phil Martz, and Ron Dauphin.

We have another celebrity among us! Miss Hannah Sizenbach, daughter of Robert and Dorothy Sizenbach, was crowned National American Miss South Texas in 2014. In November, she will be in the National Pageant for National American Miss Preteen in Anaheim, CA. Let's all be pulling for her!

Again, I want to thank our community for who we are. Everyone...keep up the good work! My prayer is for God to bless all of you.

LADIES CLUB UPDATE



Dates to remember:

November 12: Ladies Club November meeting - 1:00 pm

November 14/15: Ladies Club Christmas Boutique and Bake Sale - (note date change)

December 3: Christmas Decorating of the Community Center - 1:00 pm

December 6: Highland Haven Christmas Dinner – time to be determined

December 10: Ladies Club Christmas Party - 1:00 pm

The Christmas Boutique and Bake Sale will be open for business from 9am-2pm, Friday and Saturday, November 14th and 15th. With the cool weather, we're all ready to get baking again and we are looking forward to the fantastic baked goods that we've come to expect from all our great neighborhood cooks. There will be someone at the Community Center to accept your donations for the Bake Sale on Thursday, November 13th between 3pm and 5pm, or on Friday morning, November 14th before 9am.

We desperately need more Christmas Decorations for the sale and will happily pick them up. Just call Linda Finney - [434-728-3256](tel:434-728-3256), or Shirley Webb - [210-316-7248](tel:210-316-7248). We had a successful sale last year and hope that you will help us make this one a success as well!

The new Highland Haven Telephone Directories are available at City Hall. Don't forget to pick up your copy so you're up to date on all the new neighbors. They're still a bargain at \$2.50.

The name tag board at the Community Center has been re-organized in order to make room for everyone and to make it easier to find and return nametags to the appropriate place. Every slot is now labeled. Thanks for your co-ordination in keeping it organized. If there isn't a name tag for you on the board, please let Terry Embrey know so she can make one for you. Also, if you have a pacemaker, a magnetic fastener is not recommended, so let her know if you need an alternate type of fastener.



CITY UPDATE
Irene Dauphin, Mayor

Board Meetings

Your Board of Aldermen has a work meeting on the first Tuesday of each month and a voting meeting the third Tuesday of each month. The public is welcome to attend. Our meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.

City Hall

Thank you Ed Cruz and Ron Dauphin for mowing and trimming around City Hall.

Leaf and Grass Disposal

Ordinance 58 has been revised to prohibit the blowing or otherwise causing leaves and grass to be disposed of in the lake, canals, city streets or drainage infrastructure. Leaves and grass clippings should be mulched or otherwise gathered and disposed of but not blown into the street, lake or drains.

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Dove Park

Thank you Phil Martz for the tree trimming in Dove Park.

New Landscaping at City Hall

I want to thank my husband, Ron, for helping me put in new shrubs at City Hall. Digging in dirt is my favorite hobby!

Parking in yards – Please make sure your boats/trailers/vehicles are parked correctly to comply with Ordinance 59.

Ordinance 59 states:

- A. Parking of vehicles and trailers of any type in front yards except on the driveway is prohibited.
- B. Parking in side and back yards is prohibited except on hard surfaced pad or behind screening fence of six-foot height which blocks view from all streets and neighboring property. Such parking is limited to two vehicles or trailers or one combination thereof.

Permits

If you are having a new septic system put in, you need a permit from **LCRA and the City of Highland Haven**. You also need a permit to construct a fence on your property. Before beginning any work on your property, please call City Hall to see if you need a permit.

Planning and Zoning Commission

Charles Webb has appointed Bill Passmore to the Planning and Zoning committee. We appreciate Bill's willingness to serve our community. We also want to thank John German for his service to the committee for the past 3 ½ years.

Resident Lawn Care

Lawn care by a significant number of our part time residents leaves much to be desired. More than a few non-residents only mow their lawns from time to time rather than on a weekly basis that is necessary during the growing season from March through October. Weeds that are often dispersed in lawn turfs grow as much as a foot per week when rain or irrigation is present. This past week many lawns had weeds two to three feet high. City Ordinance 058 requires that lawns be maintained at no more than six inches.

Please consider that routine lawn maintenance is a necessary expense in owning a residence in Highland Haven. It is simply unacceptable to mow your lawn when you visit from time to time or wait for a neighbor or the city to complain. Please also consider your fulltime resident neighbors who must look at these unkempt lawns every day. There are many lawn care services available. Please utilize these services to keep your lawns in a routine week-to-week presentable condition. Your city and neighbors will appreciate it.

Trash cans

Please place your trash bins at least 4 feet from any other object. This includes recycle bins, other trash cans, and mailboxes. The driver is trying not to knock over your recycle bins but if they are too close to the trash bin, it happens. Also, please place your bin at the edge of the street pavement to keep the truck from driving over the water line.



IN SYMPATHY

Nancy Ewing Sutton, 95, of San Angelo, TX, wife of the late John F. Sutton, Sr., died on September 21. The Suttons lived in Austin and had a lake place at 304 Flamingo Circle. If you knew the Suttons, your condolences can be given to the family at: <http://johnsons.tributes.com/dignitymemorial/obituary/Nancy-Ewing-Sutton-101722519>



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Miss Hannah Sizenbach, 7th grader at Marble Falls Middle School and daughter of Highland Haven residents, Robert and Dorothy Sizenbach, has earned the opportunity to attend Nationals to compete for the title of National American Miss Preteen. She earned this opportunity by being crowned the 2014 National American Miss South Texas Preteen out of over 90 contestants. She also received awards in optionals, 2nd runner up in photogenic and 2nd runner up for Spokemodel (where she talks about her charity).

The National Pageant is to be held in Anaheim, California at Disneyland during Thanksgiving week, representing the great state of Texas, where she will have the opportunity to win her share of over \$500,000 in cash and prizes!

The National American Miss Pageants are dedicated to celebrating America's greatness and encouraging it's future leaders. Each year, the National American Miss Pageants awards 1.5 million dollars in cash, scholarships, and prizes to recognize and assist the development of young women nationwide. National American Miss has added the ultimate door prize to Nationals 2014. Each girl that qualifies for the national pageant has a chance to win a new 2014 Ford Mustang Convertible. For more details visit www.namiss.com/car. National American Miss is dedicated to developing the success of young women across our nation with a program that is designed to be age-appropriate and family-oriented. Pageants are held in each state for girls ages 4-18 in five different age divisions.

The National American Miss Pageants are for "Today's Girl" and "Tomorrow's Leaders." The pageant program is based on inner beauty, as well as poise, presentation, and offers an "All American Spirit" of fun for family and friends. Emphasis is placed on the importance of gaining self-confidence, learning new skills, learning good attitudes about competition, and setting and achieving goals. The pageant seeks to recognize the accomplishments of each girl while encouraging her to set goals for the future! Find out more about National American Miss at www.namiss.com.

Miss Hannah Sizenbach's additional activities include running Fashion 4 Shelters (a charity she founded in 2012), staying on the honor role, playing the Oboe in the MS Symphonic band, being a member of the MS athletics program (currently Volleyball and cross country), Student Council, Competitive Cheer at Courage Cheer and Dance United in Liberty Hill, modeling/acting, and various volunteer activities.

Hannah is always looking for volunteer and appearance opportunities. Hannah is also looking for ways to raise funds for her competition. So if you have any chores available, just let her family know. If you would like her at your event, please contact her family at sizenbach@att.net.

FLOODPLAIN TIDBITS

Donna L. Green, FEMA Floodplain Administrator

Mitigation is the act of reducing the severity, seriousness, or painfulness of something. We hear a lot more about it now than we used to for sure. How would you mitigate a flood in our area? There is a lot a homeowner can do. Make a list of your most valuable possessions, know where your bank information is, names and addresses and phone numbers of loved ones, names and addresses of creditors, names and addresses of your utility company. Stand in the middle of each room and take a picture of all four sides so you can remember where each thing is. Put your pictures on a hard drive or something to give to a family member in a different location. Take pictures of the outside of your home on all sides, boathouse and boathouse interior, shed and shed interior, everything. It might come in handy during some type of flood event.

Always keep a couple of gallons of water on site. Have a NOAA weather radio and know how to use it. Don't wait for the event to happen. Some units need batteries. Talk to your immediate family about where to meet if we are forced to leave and if we are asked to leave our homes, obey the instructions.

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NEWSLETTER

Terry Embrey



A lot of work goes into putting together this newsletter every month. I've been substituting for your regular editor, **Judy Kelley**, for the last few months as she has had a pretty full plate. Please take a moment to thank her the next time you see her for the commitment she has made to getting the newsletter out to you every month.

If you have input for the newsletter, you can send it to highlandhavennews@gmail.com. The deadline for input is posted on the monthly calendar and is always the Wednesday after the monthly BOA meeting which is held the third Tuesday of each month. Space is available in the newsletter each month for you to tell the rest of the community what is on your mind. The section is called – IT'S YOUR TURN. Rules are posted on the Highland Haven web site under the [Newsletter Information](#) link on the home page.

For those of you who aren't already receiving the electronic newsletter, we want to encourage you once again to participate and help us save the trees! The newsletter in this format has better resolution, color pictures and you don't have to wait for the mailman! Just send an email to hhnews@highlandhaventx.com and you will get the next newsletter in either Adobe Acrobat or Microsoft Word format. Please state your preference when asking to be added to the email group. We currently send out about 140 newsletters via U. S. mail every month, with the associated costs of printing and mailing shared by the three newsletter sponsors. Thanks to the dedicated volunteers who meet every month to get these in the mail: **Betty Prince, Daye Tinnen, Dorothy Wagner and Janet Dunavant**. Newsletter articles are also posted on the Highland Haven web site: www.highlandhaventx.com.

Also, if you change your email address and have been receiving the newsletter via email, please be sure to let us know so you will continue to receive your newsletter.

Highland Haven Community Calendar

November 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Daylight Savings Time Ends 2:00 am	3	4 BOA Work Session-7pm Election Day	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Veteran's Day	12 Ladies Club 1:00 pm Community Ctr	13	14 Christmas Boutique & Bake Sale Comm. Ctr. 9am-2pm	15 Christmas Boutique & Bake Sale Comm. Ctr. 9am-2pm
16	17	18 BOA Mtg 7:00 pm City Hall	19 HH Newsletter Article Deadline	20	21	22
23  30	24	25 NO POT LUCK	26	27 Happy Thanksgiving!	28	29