HIGHLAND HAVEN NEWS

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This issue sponsored by Highland Haven Ladies Club



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LADIES CLUB UPDATE

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Come one and all ... young and old. Come join in the fun! It is time to make plans to decorate your bike, golf cart, lawn mower, wagon, antique car, or *whatever* to make our 4th of July the best ever.

Participants are asked to meet at the Community Center at 8:30 a.m. on July 4th to prepare for the line-up. The parade will begin at 9:00 a.m. The parade route will lead everyone to Dove Park, for judging, and ultimately return to the Community Center.

Immediately following the parade, the Ladies Club will host the Ice Cream Social. Get out your ice cream freezer and make your favorite homemade recipe OR bring your favorite store bought flavor. Whichever you choose, bring your ice cream to the Community Center at 8:00 a.m. to share with everyone. Winners of the parade will be announced during the Ice Cream Social.

CITY UPDATE

Olan Kelley, Mayor hhcity@tstar.net

Changing of the Guard

At the June 2nd meeting, **Irene Dauphin** resigned as Mayor. At our June 16 meeting, **Olan Kelley** was appointed Mayor; **Irene Dauphin** was appointed Alderman. Thank you **Irene** for your service to our city!

P&Z Commission

Rod Goergen, **Jim Holgate**, and **Bob Sears** were appointed to serve on the P & Z at a special meeting on June 2nd by the Board of Aldermen. The city appreciates their willingness to serve. Thanks to out-going commissioners **Jim Lawrence** and **Bill Passmore** for their service.

Brush cleared on Blackbird

Thank you to **Bill Passmore** for being in charge of the counselors from Camp Champion to clear the brush/hedges on Blackbird. Great job!!

Building Permits

Any time you are going to start a project around your house, please call to see if you need a permit. Building a fence will always need a permit. It is to make sure that your fence is within your property line and complying with the Ordinances.

Drought Restrictions

Even with our recent rains, we are allowed to water once per week and only between 8 PM and 10 AM. Hand watering may be performed at any time.

Household Hazardous Waste

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 12th. There will be a Hazardous Waste Day in Burnet County. Time has not been established. Additional information will be available in a future newsletter.

City Hall Lawn Mowing

Thanks to **Ed Cruz** for mowing the City Hall lawn.

Burn Piles

The Burn Ban is still off - please promptly dispose of brush piles by burning or removal. Ordinance 058 requires that debris / brush piles be removed within 14 days. Property owner permission must be obtained to use a vacant lot for a burn pile. Please see ordinances 027 and 058 for detailed rules.

Hurricane Preparedness

Hurricane season began June 1 and ends November 30. During these months, Texas is more susceptible to powerful and destructive tropical storms and hurricanes.

I encourage everyone to assemble a disaster supply kit of important emergency supplies including a first aid kit, a Weather Radio or battery-operated radio, flashlight, medication, non-perishable food items, and bottled water. Be aware of where the nearest storm shelter is located, know where you and loved ones will go if an evacuation is necessary and develop an emergency plan for communicating with family and friends. Take time to be aware, be prepared, and help prevent and reduce loss of life and property.

Drainage Maintenance

Due to all of the recent rains, several drains in and around houses have been found plugged with debris, grass and rocks. Please check your drains and clear them.

Webmaster Needed

The city is still looking for a volunteer to take over management and updates of the City, POA, and Ladies Club on our website - must have HTML knowledge and development software. If interested, please call City Hall 830-265-4366.

BOA Meetings

Next BOA Work Session: Tuesday, July 7 at 7:00 p.m. Next BOA Meeting: Tuesday, July 21 at 7:00 p.m.

GET WELL & OTHER NEWS

Helen Wiedeman

Condolences go the family and friends of **El Louise Denmark** who passed away in May. El Louise lived in Highland Haven for many years before moving to Bastrop to be closer to family

Vern & Dorothy Wagner are temporarily living in Granite Mesa after **Vern** had a bad fall. Please keep them in your pryaers as **Vern** recouperates.

HHPOA UPDATE

Don Hughes, Presidenthhpoa@highlandhaventx.com

Well, the real heat has finally made it. I hope that everyone, when outdoors, will be very careful and drink plenty of fluids.

We have our new park signs up and we have our park stickers available. Noveleen Parker has the park stickers and if you will call her, she will arrange with you to get your stickers. (See page 5 for additional information.)

In my lifetime I have found out that there are not very many perfect things in this world, but we have to do the very best we can with what we have. When we decided to get the signs and stickers for the use of the parks, it was for the safety of and for the use by our community. Our law enforcement, county commissioner, and our insurance company advised us, and we took their advice. I hope that everyone will keep watch for anyone that might be misusing our parks or boat ramps and report any violations.

Don't forget the annual July 4th celebration! It is a lot of fun ... you get to decorate your golf carts, dress in funny outfits of red, white and blue (of course), and best of all ... eat ice cream! Be there!

Our next H.H.P.O.A. meeting will be our bi-annual meeting and will be held on August 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Center.

I hope that everyone in our community will have a great summer. May God bless all of you and keep you safe.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE: Old GE Refrigerator runs great; freezer on top; great for overflow soda/beer/etc; located on Flamingo Street; \$50.00 cash; contact Larry 713-249-8900.

FOR SALE: like new 2010 Chevrolet LTZ Silverado 1500 Z71 pickup; V8, extended cab, 2WD, plus other extras; has less than 8,000 miles; \$28,000. If interested call 830-596-9037

BOAT FOR SALE: 1999 Stratos 285 Pro Elite bass boat + trailer + cover; 175 Evinrude outboard; runs great; \$8500 (\$1500 under book). Call Jim at 830-613-7667

FOR SALE:

50 +/- 8" x 16" red brickface concrete step stones

150 +/- white limestone flat patio stones

1 cu yd green flat patio stones

8 - 5 gal bucket sized red granite stones

125+/- white concrete retaining wall block 12" x 4"

35 +/- red concrete retaining wall block 12" x 4"

\$1.00/each. Call Jim at 830-613-7667

FLOODPLAIN TIDBITS

Donna Green, FEMA Floodplain Administrator hladonnal@nctv.com

Hazards caused by nature, whether it be flooding, draught, etc. have been the topic of discussion at the second TCRFC HAZARD Mitigation Meeting on May 5, 2015. **Mayor Irene Dauphin** and I represented the city of Highland Haven. (I am also the Floodplain Administrator of Granite Shoals so I also represented the City of Granite Shoals.) We were given documentation to update Highland Haven's current mitigation actions documenting "In-Kind Documentation". Examples would include recording time to travel to meetings, attending meetings, time for preparation of homework given to us, mileage, etc. We were also asked to develop a minimum of two mitigation actions for hazard categories ranging from drought, extreme heat, hurricanes, dam/level failures, etc., ten in all.

On 5/27/2015, we met to complete these forms. In attendance were **Irene Dauphine**, **Ken Nickel** (City Manager of Granite Shoals), **Olan Kelley** and myself. Tetra Tech is in the process of compiling a summary of the Hazard Rankings submitted during the meetings. We were also asked to get input from our residents on mitigation actions, which Irene sent out to the e-mail residents in early June. I hope that there was a good response from you. Our last scheduled meeting will be on July 28. If you have questions regarding our meetings, please do not hesitate to contract me. The end-result will help insure our community will be in compliance for flood insurance extension. Our current plan ends 12/31/2015. 830/265-0113.

2015 Highland Haven Telephone Directory

Terry Embrey hhinfo@highlandhaventx.com

It's almost time to start work on the new Highland Haven telephone directory which is published yearly in early September. If we have an email address for you on file, you will receive an email in early July with a preview of your listing for approval.

If you don't receive a preview email, you can send any corrections or additions to hhinfo@highlandhaventx.com OR call **Terry Embrey** at (830)265-4528.



TO: Highland Haven Property Owners

FROM: HHPOA Board of Directors RE: Park Usage Policy

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EMAIL: hhpoa@highlandhaventx.com

The Parks of Highland Haven and the amenities included in the Parks are for the exclusive use of Highland Haven Property Owners and their guests. There are many reasons for which it has become necessary to enforce this policy. A couple of these reasons include maintenance and repair expenditures and liability claims made by unauthorized individuals who are injured while using our parks.

No-trespassing signs have been placed at all of our Parks. Our Parks will be monitored and trespassers will be prosecuted.

HHPOA Members will be issued two (2) vehicle stickers per household. The stickers are to be placed in the rear window on the lower right hand side. These stickers will help the authorities distinguish Members from non-members.

To obtain a sticker for a new vehicle the HHPOA Member must scrape the old sticker and exchange it for a new one.

Guest passes will be available. The cost of a guest pass is \$5.00. A pass can be obtained from any board member. The maximum time period allowed on a guest pass is one week.

Definition of guest - A person who is invited to visit the home of or take part in a function organized by a Highland Haven homeowner.

Meetings have been established for the homeowners to obtain their stickers (1) after to POA meeting on June 9^{th} (2) June 13^{th} (Saturday) at the community center from 10:00 am -12:00 pm (3) June 15^{th} (Monday) at the community center from 5:00 pm -7:00 pm and (4) At the pot luck dinner on June 30^{th} .

After these meetings, if a homeowner still needs to obtain their stickers, they should contact Noveleen Parker.

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June 2, 2015

I want to thank you so much for putting your confidence in me with your vote to elect me Mayor of Highland Haven in the last election. I took my job very seriously since I realized my responsibility to you as your Mayor; however, upon completing one year in the job, I evaluated my performance throughout the year and came to the conclusion that my skills for being your Mayor were not honed in the manner that they should be to successfully govern our community. I find that there are other people in the community who have more adequate skills than I do to do a more successful job. Therefore, I am resigning from my position as Mayor of Highland Haven as of June 16, 2015, and I am asking you to choose someone who has the proper skills to lead our community.

I have enjoyed the position as your Mayor and appreciate your entrusting our community in my hands. Thank you for the opportunity of serving you throughout this past year.

Sincerely, Irene Dauphin

LCRA CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL

Robert Dahlstrom
Robertd122@nctv.com

Excerpt from recent LCRA update:

Intense rain and flooding in late May led to higher lake levels and a significant increase in the combined storage of lakes Buchanan and Travis - LCRA's reservoirs that store water supply for the region.

But even with the record-setting rainfall, the lakes are not yet full, and the drought impacting the Highland Lakes has not ended.

"A wet month - even an extremely wet one like the May we just had - isn't enough to break this drought," said John Hofmann, LCRA executive vice president of Water. "The level of Lake Travis rose dramatically in May, but the lakes are still a long way from being full."

"The amount of rain we received is a blessing, but everyone should continue to be mindful of their water use and use only what they need," Hofmann said. "There's no reason to go back to water-wasting habits. Conserving water should be a way of life. In terms of water supply, we shouldn't consider this drought over yet."

LCRA also is increasing the water supply for the region by building the first new water supply reservoir in the lower Colorado River basin in decades. The <u>Lane City Reservoir</u> is the first project that will allow LCRA to capture and store significant amounts of water downstream of the Highland Lakes. The reservoir could add up to 90,000 acre-feet per year to LCRA's water inventory and is expected to be completed in 2018. The new reservoir will help reduce the amount of water that otherwise would be required to be released from the Highland Lakes.

Highland Haven Community Calendar

July 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	July 4th Parade & Ice Cream Social
5	6	7 BOA Work Session 7:00 PM	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 BOA Mtg 7:00 pm	22 Newsletter Deadline	23	24	25
26	27	28 Community Pot Luck Dinner	29	30	31	

NOTE: Yoga classes every Tuesday & Thursday @ Community Center, 11:30 – 12:30, cost \$5 Submit newsletter articles & photos to: highlandhavennews@gmail.com