# **HIGHLAND HAVEN NEWS**

## November 2015





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BOA Work Session Tuesday, Jan 5<sup>th</sup>

Next BOA Meeting Tuesday, Jan 19<sup>th</sup>

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#### **Board of Alderman**

- No BOA meetings in December. Next BOA meeting is January 5, 2016.

#### **City Office Hours**

- City offices will be closed for Thanksgiving Holidays, November 26-27.
- City Offices will be closed for Christmas Holidays, December 23- January 3

#### **HH Water System**

- Once again our water system passed TCEQ inspection on September 8<sup>th</sup> with no violations. Many thanks to Sunset Utilities for a great job maintaining our water plant and system.
- Check and adjust your lawn sprinkler system to comply with LCRA winter watering schedules.

#### **Streets and Drainage**

- Please check drainage around your property and clear any potential blockage to avoid flooding conditions. Long-range forecasts indicate that this winter should be wetter than average.

#### Planning and Zoning

- **Jerry Schwab**, Planning and Zoning Chair, has resigned from the P&Z Committee. Please thank Jerry for his considerable contributions to Highland Haven and 20 years of service to our community!
- **David Marsh** has been appointed to the Planning and Zoning Committee.
- **Robert Dahlstrom** (previously Vice Chair) has been approved as the P&Z Chairman.
- The Planning and Zoning Committee includes **Bobby Sears**, **Jim Holgate** and **Rodney Goergen**.
- Next P&Z Meeting is January 14.

#### **Regional Notification System** (Emergency Notification System)

- Capitol Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) Regional Notification System (RNS) uses a "reverse dialing" method to notify residents in the 10-county region of critical emergency information in situations where property or human lives are in danger. It also can be used to notify residents of other events that affect them.
- For more information and to register go to http://www.capcog.org/divisions/homeland-security/regional-notification-system-registration or call 866-939-0911

#### City, continued

#### **Emergency Preparedness / FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plans Fire Safety**

- The Burn Ban has been lifted and many residents have been diligently burning their brush piles. All brush piles should be removed as soon as possible. If property owners cannot burn the brush piles, they must arrange to have the brush removed. Several property owners have arranged to have brush chipped and hauled away instead of burning.
- Burning of construction material and trash is prohibited.
- Residents should avoid stacking limbs and brush under trees and adjacent to houses and outbuildings. This creates a fire hazard as well as nesting for snakes, rats and other pests.

#### Safety On Our Streets

"Drive like your kids and grandkids live here!"

#### Highland Haven Ordinances - http://www.highlandhaventx.com/

- Please review these ordinances before starting <u>any</u> additions or construction projects on land or water (including floating jet ski docks).
- Starting a project before receiving a building permit will result in a "Stop Work Order", higher fees and possible removal of your project.
- If you have any building permit questions, property owners can call **James Warren**, Building Permit Officer, (512) 431-0291, or City Hall at (830) 265-4366.

#### **GET WELL & SYMPATHY**

Our friend & neighbor **Kim Stephenson** passed away November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Some may remember that Kim made several of the beautiful stepping stones located at Dove Park.

Longtime resident Liveda Jones passed away November 9<sup>th</sup>. Her services were held November 14<sup>th</sup>.

Please keep **Helen Wiedeman** in your thoughts and prayers. She shattered her femur and has been in Kingsland Hills Care Center for the past month.

The holiday season is almost here and a great time to remember some of our residents who have moved away. One long time friend is **Chris Hoover** who lived in HH for many years. Chris did alterations and helped so many of us for so many years. She would love to hear from some of her friends over the holidays. Her address is 717 South Alamo Road, Apt 108 Levelland, TX 79336.

### **Hill Country Community Band**

The Ladies' Club Christmas Bazaar put us in the mood!!!

Now it is time to **SAVE THE DATE** for the **Annual Christmas Concert.**Band members *Cheryl Wilder* (clarinet) and *Kitty Palmer* (trumpet) are our neighbors!

It's fun and it's free!



Jounds What—Christmas favorites played by the Hill Country Community Band

Where – Marble Falls Library

When – Friday, December 11, 4:00.

The band starts playing at 4 PM sharp, so bring a friend and plan to come a little early to get a good seat.



The Ladies Club met for their monthly meeting November 11, 2015 with 22 ladies attending. December is a busy month in Highland Haven. Upcoming events are:

Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> @ 11 am - Christmas decorating of Community Center We ask the men and women of the community to help with this event.

Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 pm - Ladies Club Christmas Party @ Community Center
Bring finger foods. There will not be a business meeting that day. Also, bring a nonperishable food item, school supplies or a clothing item sized for a 6 to 12 yr. old. (These will be distributed to local elementary schools and Share the Harvest.) A Cookie Exchange will be held immediately after the Christmas party. If you want to participate, bring 3-dozen cookies in packages of 6. Call Connie Fulgham if you have questions.

Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> – Judging of Christmas Yard Decorations
First, Second & Third place prizes and three Honorable Mentions will be awarded.
Have your lights & animations on no later than 6:00 pm.

Saturday December 12, 2015 @ 6:00 pm - Annual Highland Haven Christmas Dinner This event includes a social hour and entertainment with dinner served at 7:00 pm. Ladies Club will furnish entree. Please bring a salad, vegetable or dessert. Sets-ups will be furnished. All residents are invited to attend. BYOB.

The date for the Un-Decorating Party in January will be announced later. We always need help with this, so please come. We all enjoy the decorations through the Christmas season.

Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> – A guest speaker from the FIRST RESPONDERS will speak at the Ladies Club meeting.



This year's <u>Annual Christmas Bazaar & Bake Sale</u> was a HUGE success. Sales for the bazaar were \$912.73 and the bake sale brought in \$515 ... for a grand total of \$1,427.73. The Ladies Club wishes to extend a *Thank You* to everyone that donated, setup and worked this annual event.



Merry Christmas!

Christmas Lunch Invitation From The Smith's 108 Bluebird Circle

The Smith's are hosting a Christmas Lunch for any Highland Haven resident that might be unable to spend Christmas with his or her family this year. Anyone is welcome! Please let Abbey know by December 18th if you are interested in coming so plans for location and food may be made. Contact her at (830) 446-9353.



Our year will be ending very soon. I believe that it has been a great year and I hope that all of you feel the same.

Because some have lost loved ones and great friends, this time of the year may be a little rough for them. So, I hope and pray that each of us will reach out to them and let them know that we love and care for them.

It has come to the Board of Directors attention, again, that people are piling up brush, limbs and trash in our parks. Our parks are not to be used for burn piles! No resident or guest of this community is allowed to bring to and pile up his or her trimmings in the parks. If this continues, our attorney, *and we do have one*, will be notified and charges will be filed against the guilty parties. We have ordinances and by-laws to govern this community and we should all abide by them. We should all be proud of this community and strive toward keeping it clean and safe. We are all equal here and no member of this community should receive preferential treatment.

Soon we will have a new boat dock at Swan Park. This dock will be mainly for canoes and kayaks. It will not be able to accommodate large boats or tie ups.

Our next meeting will be our bi-annual meeting. It will be held on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. @ the Community Center. We are looking for some new board members. This is a great opportunity to serve your community and if you are interested in serving, call me - Don Hughes at 325 370-5534.

We are also in need of someone to volunteer to do our annual audit. If you are interested or know someone who is, contact Donna Gingras at 830 598-1402.

Remember that we do not have Potluck this month. I wish all of you a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

#### SURROUNDING AREA HOLIDAY EVENTS

(This is just a sampling of events occurring in our area.)

November 29 – January 1 ... Walkway of Lights ... Marble Falls

November 27 – December 31 ... Starry Starry Nights @ Badu Park ... Llano

November 27 – January 1 ... Lights Spectacular ... Johnson City

November 27 – January 1 ... Texas Hill Country Christmas Lighting Trail

The Texas Hill Country communities of Boerne, Burnet, Dripping Springs, Fredericksburg, Goldwaite, Johnson City, Llano, Marble Falls, New Braunfels, Round Mountain and Wimberley are all part of the Hill Country Regional Lighting Trail. Each of these towns offers visitors dazzling light displays among the rolling hills of Central Texas.

November 28 ... Lighted Hooves & Wheels Parade ... Johnson City

December 4-6 & 11-13 ... Main Street Bethlehem ... Burnet

December 5 ... Light The Night Christmas Parade ... Fredericksburg

December 6 ... Celebrate Christmas in Kingsland ... Kingsland

December 6 ... Market On The Square, Woman's Culture Club Home Tour, Lighted Parade ... Llano

December 12 ... Snow Day ... Llano

December 12 ... Christmas On The Square ... Burnet

December 12 ... Christmas at Fort Croghan

December 12 ... Holiday Market Days, Christmas Parade ... Blanco

# Highland Haven Community Calendar December 2015

| Sunday | Monday                            | Tuesday                        | Wednesday                                                   | Thursday                          | Friday                         | Saturday                                 |
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|        |                                   | 1<br>No BOA work<br>session    | 2                                                           | 3                                 | 4                              | 5                                        |
| 6      | 7 Decorate Community Center 11:00 | 8                              | 9<br>Ladies Club<br>Christmas Party<br>& Cookie<br>Exchange | 10 Judging of outdoor decorations | 11                             | 12<br>Annual<br>Christmas Dinner<br>6:00 |
| 13     | 14                                | No BOA meeting                 | 16                                                          | 17                                | 18                             | 19                                       |
| 20     | 21                                | 22                             | 23                                                          | 24<br>Christmas Eve               | 25  Mevy Khistmae  Khistmae    | 26                                       |
| 27     | 28                                | No Potluck Dinner              | 30                                                          | 31  Happy New Year!               | January 1<br>New Year's<br>Day | January 2                                |
| 3      | 4                                 | 5<br>BOA work<br>sesstion 7:00 | 6                                                           | 7                                 | 8                              | 9                                        |
| 10     | 11                                | 12                             | Ladies Club Meeting 1:00                                    | 14<br>P & Z<br>6:00               | 15                             | 16                                       |
| 17     | 18                                | BOA meeting 7:00               | 20                                                          | 21                                | 22                             | 23                                       |
| 24     | 25                                | 26                             | 27                                                          | 28                                | 29                             | 30                                       |

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