

HIGHLAND HAVEN NEWS

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LADIES CLUB UPDATE

With the continued support of generous donors, hardworking volunteers and a lot of elbow grease, the Ladies Club once again had a very successful Rummage & Bake Sale on March 11th and 12th. Special recognition goes to the fabulous team of workers ... the Department Managers, Outdoor Team, and Pickup Artists all went above and beyond in preparing for the sale. Delicious baked goods at the Bake Sale again contributed greatly to our bottom line. The total proceeds from this year's sale (\$7,800) will help many local charities and fund neighborhood improvements.

The next Community Pot Luck dinner is Tuesday, March 29th. All residents are invited. Bring a dish to share and enjoy an evening with neighbors.

Stay tuned for details regarding the Annual BBQ Dinner to be held in May.

EASTER SERVICE

Sunday, March 27th @ 8:30 am ... Dove Park
Casual dress, golf carts welcome, bring a lawn chair

Reverend Tommie Tucker with Grace Methodist Church, Granite Shoals
Will officiate the non-denominational service

CITY UPDATE

Olan Kelley, Mayor
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City Elections

- City Elections have been cancelled. Olan Kelley was the only applicant for Mayor. Terry Nuss was the only applicant for Alderman. Both terms will begin on May 17.
- One vacant alderman position will need to be appointed by the Board to begin service on May 17 for a one year term.
- Anyone interested in serving on the Board for a one year term should contact City Hall.

Board of Alderman

- Next BOA Work Session meeting is April 5, 7pm.
- Next BOA Regular meeting is April 19, 7pm.
- P&Z and the BOA are scheduled to review Ordinances #59 and 50. Watch future agendas for public hearing dates.
- These meetings are open to the public; residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.

Planning and Zoning

- P&Z and the BOA are reviewing and updating Ordinance # 59, Parking and Storage of Vehicles.
- Next P&Z Meeting is April 14, 5:30pm.

Yard Mowing

- **“Spring has Sprung” and the grass is growing! Yards and lots will require mowing soon!**
- With recent rains and warm temperatures vegetation is growing fast. Please check on the growth of your yards and lots to see if they need mowing.
- Leaves, grass or other refuse shall not be blown, raked, discharged or otherwise disposed of into canals, lake, streets or drainage infrastructure. It is in violation of our ordinances but it is also a courtesy to your neighbor. Advise your lawn maintenance company of Ord. #58.

Vacant Lot Mowing Program

- The city vacant lot mowing program will begin soon. Letters have been sent to vacant lot owners inviting them to participate in this program that helps keep our city looking good. Vacant lots are mowed when vegetation grows to sixteen inches.
- This is a great program for absentee owners!
- If interested, please call City Hall at (830) 265-4366.

Highland Haven Ordinances - <http://www.highlandhaventx.com/>

- We continue to receive complaints regarding various ordinance violations including
 - o Homes in dire need of repair - Ord. #58
 - o Cluttered carports visible from the streets. – Ord. #58
 - o Trash and debris in yards visible from streets and parks - Ord. #58 & #37
 - o Parking trailers, golf carts and other vehicles in yards and right of ways – Ord. #59
 - o RVs and travel trailers parked in driveways – Ord. #59
- Warning letters and citations to the property owners are the next steps for violations.
- Help us maintain the quality of life we enjoy here in Highland Haven. If you have any questions about the ordinances, please contact City Hall or a member of the Board of Aldermen.
- Below are excerpts from ordinances that are relevant to recent citizen complaints. Please take time to review these ordinances and confirm your property is in compliance.

Ord. #37, Maintenance of Hedges and Fences

Section 4. RESTRICTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

“C. Shrubs, bushes and other vegetation planted for the purpose of screening, or in such a manner as to create a hedge, shall be maintained at a maximum height of six (6) feet.”

“D. No screening structures shall be constructed or allowed to grow higher than six (6) feet.”

“F. Fences, walls, hedges and/or any other screening structures shall not be constructed or allowed to grow outside of a twenty (20) foot set back from the intersection of the streets abutting any corner lot.”

“I. Trees that overhang city streets shall be kept trimmed to a minimum height of fifteen (15) feet to permit safe passage for tall vehicles such as fire trucks, school busses, garbage trucks, moving vans and motor homes.”

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Ord. #58, Maintenance of Structures and Lots

“Property owners shall maintain residence and outbuildings in a manner that does not detract from neighborhood appearance and the property values of adjacent property owners. Maintenance includes, but is not limited to, periodic painting, masonry repair as needed, replacement of damaged windows and screens, and roof repairs.”

Ord. #59, Parking and Storage of Vehicles

“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.”

Section IV. STORAGE OF VEHICLES

“1. Storage in residential districts: Storage of all types of vehicles, to include trailers, in residential districts is limited to carports, garages, and upon a hard surfaced pad behind a privacy fence in side or rear yards.”

Safety On Our Streets “Drive like your kids and grandkids live here!”

- We continue to receive complaints regarding speeding vehicles on Highland Drive. Both the Burnet County Sheriff’s Office and the Precinct 1 Constables Office have been notified.
- Don’t be surprised to see more law enforcement patrol vehicles!

Highland Haven Building Permits - <http://www.highlandhaventx.com/>

- Please review our ordinances before starting **any** additions or construction projects on land or water (including floating jet ski docks and fences).
- 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.

HH Water System

- If you are tired of writing a check every month for your water service, you can pay in advance. The credit amount will appear on each of your next bills. Once the amount gets low or you have an amount due, simply write another check for an advance payment.
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Streets and Drainage

- Many thanks to Burnet County Precinct 1 road crews for the street maintenance they performed under our annual Interlocal Agreement with Burnet County. They will be back to overlay patches with asphalt and later again to apply the final seal coat to each patch.
- We have surveyed all of the streets and have located weak pavement areas. The recent patches has addressed some of the most damaged areas. We will maintain our list, continue to survey the streets for problems and plan for additional repairs in the future.

Emergency Preparedness / FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plans

Fire Safety

- Check the status of the Burn Bans by checking our roadside sign on Highland Drive and the electronic sign at City Hall. Residents can also check the Highland Haven website and the Burnet County website at <http://www.burnetcountytexas.org/default.aspx?name=environ.burn>
- Closely monitor all fires you start. Do not leave them unattended and be sure they are completely out before you leave them.

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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 life 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

HHPOA UPDATE

Lorinda Peters, President

hppo@highlandhaventx.com

Your HHPOA has been hard at work in preparation of our first POA meeting of the year on April 12th (7:00 pm at the Community Center).

An exhaustive assessment has been completed of the community parks. We are working through the list and creating a budget to address the issues. We'll present an overview of those items on the 12th. We are developing a survey to ask how you are currently using the parks and what ideas you have for future use and development as well as other thoughts you have for the HHPOA.

Should you need to contact any of us - here is our contact information.

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IN SYMPATHY

Our friend and former neighbor, Kay Donna Holt, 82, passed away March 12, 2016. She was born July 15, 1933, in Grand Junction, Colorado. At a young age, she became an animal advocate and among other accomplishments, she was homecoming queen, head cheerleader, March of Dimes queen, and the Rangeley Rodeo queen. She treated everyone with kindness and respect, and was known for that throughout her life. After college, she married her first husband, Louis Swenson, and began the adventurous, and sometimes difficult, life of a military wife. She raised two daughters in numerous states, and cared for her children alone when her husband was deployed to Vietnam twice. She was thrilled with the opportunity to live in Germany for three years. Kay married her second husband, Roscoe Holt, in 1971, and shortly after, they were deployed to Japan. New adventures included sumo wrestling matches, Kuboki theatre, and traditional tearoom dinners with dignitaries of the Port of Yokohama. After a successful battle with ovarian cancer, Kay and Roscoe travelled in an RV for a year, visiting far-flung friends and family, and seeing America the Beautiful in almost every state. They finally settled down in the Hill Country of Texas where Kay became the "first lady" as Roscoe became the mayor of Highland Haven, a community she dearly loved and missed. When her beloved husband died in 2007, she moved to Woodstock, Georgia, to be close to her daughter, Kim, and son-in-law, Doug. Kay lived these final years cherishing time with her family, and enjoying the simple life---reading, football, learning new technology, loving on her Pug, Katie, and being enthralled by her great-granddaughter Emilia. A visitation was held March 20, 2016 from 4 - 6 p.m. at Lakeside Funeral Home, Woodstock, Georgia. A service and burial will take place in Texas, at a later date. *The family requests memorial donations to Kay's favorite charities, Feed the Children, ASPCA, the American Heart Association, and the American Cancer Society, and Disabled American Veterans.*

http://www.lakesidefuneralhomega.com/sitemaker/sites/Lakesi2/memsol.cgi?page=profile§ion=info&user_id=1760897

SURROUNDING AREA EVENTS

March 28 - Llano ... Llano Art Studio Tour

April 2-17 – Wildflower Celebration at Wildseed Farms

April 3-5 - Llano Fiddle Fest Weekend

April 3, 4 –Kingsland House of Arts & Crafts Annual Spring Show

April 9-11 – Marble Falls ... Paint The Town, Annual Plein Air Event

April 10 – Llano ... Texas STOL Roundup Air Show

April 10-12 – Burnet ... Bluebonnet Festival

April 15 – Fredericksburg Trade Days

April 16 –Guided Nature/Wildlife Walk at LBJ State Park & Historic Site

April 17-18 – Llano ... 22nd Annual Llano Crawfish Open

April 25 – Burnet ... Bluebonnet Air Show

REMINDER

We have two positions representing our community that are in the run-off - Commissioner and Justice of the Peace. Early voting is from May 16-20th and the election is May 24th. People who have not registered and would like to vote can do so until April 25th.



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March 2, 2016

Dear Local Government Leader:

I am writing today to ask for your help in protecting Texans from Zika virus, an emerging public health threat in Texas. As you likely know, Texas has identified fourteen Zika cases to-date. Fortunately, as of today, these cases are all directly or indirectly related to travel to areas of the world where spread of the virus is active and ongoing. But Texas and other parts of the United States are experiencing a growing number of travelers who have tested positive for Zika infection. While no evidence of local transmission currently exists, it is highly likely Texas will experience local transmission of Zika virus by mosquitoes at some point.

The steps outlined in this letter are intended to prevent or delay Zika virus being transmitted by local mosquito populations in Texas. These measures are effective when sustained throughout the regular mosquito season. Eliminating potential mosquito breeding areas, especially near homes and communities, is an effective way to protect against all mosquito-borne diseases, including Zika.

Local leaders can take action to help protect their communities from Zika virus. The following community-wide and individual actions are recommended to help prevent or delay local transmission of Zika virus in our state and reduce the potential spread of Zika among Texans.

Measures for Local Leaders to Protect Communities from Zika Virus:

- Initiate or enhance monitoring and surveillance of mosquito activity.
- Accelerate mosquito abatement efforts.
- Develop a local contingency plan for mosquito abatement and surveillance; plan for additional control measures if needed.
- Implement efforts to clean up illegal dump sites and collect heavy trash.
- Encourage people to report illegal dumpsites and standing water, and respond quickly to these complaints.
- Keep public drains and ditches clear of weeds and trash so water will not collect.
- Treat standing water with larvicide (such as mosquito "dunks") when it cannot be drained and the water will be present for more than seven days.
- Conduct neighborhood outreach about precautions individuals can take to protect themselves and their families from mosquito bites.

There are also steps that individuals can take in and around their own homes to help protect themselves and their communities and to help reduce potential mosquito breeding habitats.

2016 BURNET COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) COLLECTION

**For Burnet County and City of
Horseshoe Bay residents ONLY**

Questions?

Call Commissioner
Joe Don Dockery (512) 715-2911 or
Marble Falls Fire Marshal
Johnny Caraway (830) 693-4060

**Saturday
May 21, 2016**
9 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Marble Falls High School
(Visitor's Parking Lot)
Off Manzano Mile**



YES ITEMS

- Televisions
- Household hazardous chemicals
- Compressed Gas Cylinders (Aerosols & Camp Stove Propane)
- Fluorescent Lamp Bulbs (**NO** Compact Fluorescent Bulbs)
- Household Products Labeled "Caution," "Warning," or "Poison"
- Petroleum Based Paints, Stains, and Varnishes
- Lead-Acid and Rechargeable Batteries
- Cell Phones and Telephones
- Computer Components and Parts
- Used Motor Oil & Filters
- Transmission and Brake Fluid
- Latex Paint
- Pool chemicals
- Antifreeze
- Lawn and Garden Chemicals
- Tires up to 24" (no rims please)-up to 10 tires per household no charge; \$2 per tire thereafter.
- Scrap Metal

NO ITEMS-DO NOT BRING

HOUSEHOLD ONLY-NO COMMERCIAL

- **NO** Dioxins
- **NO** Agricultural pesticides/chemicals
- **NO** Appliances
- **NO** Compact Florescent Bulbs (take to Home Depot)
- **NO** Containers Larger than 5 Gallons
- **NO** Explosives
- **NO** Medical and Pharmaceutical Items
- **NO** Large propane cylinders over 30 lbs.
- **NO** Wooden Consoles (for older TV's)
- **NO** Industrial or Commercial/Business Waste

Safety Guidelines

- Bring products in original containers only.
- Do not mix or consolidate products.
- Properly seal containers to prevent leaking.
- Haul containers and materials in the trunk or back of vehicle, away from passengers.



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Adopt-A-Barrel

It cost approximately \$250 a barrel to properly dispose of HHW. Please consider adopting a barrel or making a donation at the event so we may continue to provide responsible HHW disposal options.

Highland Haven Community Calendar

April 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5 BOA Work Session 7:00 PM	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 HHPOA Annual Mtg 7:00	13 Ladies Club 1:00	14 P & Z 5:30 pm	15 Taxes Due	16
17	18	19 BOA Mtg 7:00 pm	20 Newsletter Deadline	21	22	23
24	25	26 Community Pot Luck Dinner 6:30	27	28	29	30

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