



# HIGHLAND HAVEN NEWS

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Sponsor – Highland Haven Ladies Club



## CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN

*Olan Kelley, Mayor*

### **COVID-19**

- The State continues to update guidance for Opening Texas. Click on this link for more info.  
<https://gov.texas.gov/organization/opentexas>
- The following websites are updated regularly with COVID-19 related info.
  - o <https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/>
  - o <https://txdshs.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/ed483ecd702b4298ab01e8b9cafc8b83>
  - o <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>
  - o <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/cases-in-us.html>
  - o <http://www.burnetcountytexas.org/page/Covid-19>
  - o <https://twitter.com/lancojudge?lang=en>
- The Governor and the Texas Department of Health Services still recommend the following:
  - o Practice “social distancing”, avoid gatherings and keep 6’ space between people, even while walking and jogging.
  - o Wash hands for 20 seconds frequently and encourage others to do the same.
  - o Cover coughs and sneezes with tissue and dispose of it properly to avoid spreading virus.
  - o Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
  - o Disinfect surfaces, buttons, handles, knobs and other places touched often.
  - o Avoid contact with sick people.
  - o Stay at home if you are sick and contact your health provider by phone for advice.
  - o Using a simple cloth face covering in public will help slow the spread of the virus, especially in interior public spaces.
- Should you or your neighbors need any special assistance or support there are 2 non-profit organizations available for help.
  - o Community Resource Center - 830-693-0700
    - <http://www.crctx.org/>
  - o Highland Lakes Crisis Network - 325-423-3662,
    - <https://www.highlandlakescrisisnetwork.com/>

### **Ordinance Enforcement**

- Residents are complaining that our ordinances are not being enforced sufficiently.
- New residents frequently remark that they chose to live in Highland Haven because it is a beautiful and well-maintained community. Property owners and residents are urged to review their property for violations and advise their guests and contractors of our ordinances.
- Specific complaints include:
  - o Vehicles and trailers that are not parked on hard surface driveways
  - o Vehicles are parking and blocking the street. Complaints include resident, guest, lawn and construction contractor vehicles.
  - o Some contractors are not working within authorized work periods (7am-7pm, Monday-Saturday)
  - o Homes and yards are not being maintained according to our ordinances
- **Let's keep Highland Haven the best place to live on Lake LBJ!**

### **Public Safety**

- The Board of Alderman authorized the installation of 3 stop signs at the intersection of Redbird and Blackbird to address rising safety concerns at this intersection.
- To keep our streets safe, please advise residents, guests, and contractors to observe traffic laws and be safe while walking on our streets.
- Traffic related complaints received from residents have increased greatly and include:
  - o Drivers and pedestrians are not following the “rules of the road”
    - Pedestrians are not stepping off the roadway to allow cars and trucks to pass
    - Pedestrians are not walking facing on-coming traffic
    - Drivers are operating their vehicles on the wrong side of the road.
    - Drivers are not observing posted traffic control signs.
    - Youth without a driver’s license are operating motorized vehicles on city streets.
  - o Unsafe actions (speeding and running stop signs) reported include vehicles driven by residents, guests, and contractors (lawn and construction).
- **Let’s keep our streets safe for everyone!**

### **Traffic/Parking**

- Only golf carts and utility vehicles like a “Mule” are allowed on City streets. ATVs are not allowed on any street. Only licensed drivers are allowed to operate motorized vehicles on city streets.
- Vehicles and trailers can only be parked on hard surface driveways. Stored vehicles must be placed in a garage. Parking in yards is prohibited.
- Help us keep streets open for emergency vehicles! Do not allow vehicles to block streets.
- For more info; <https://highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/Ordinance-59-Vehicle-Operation-Parking-and-Storage-170117.pdf>

### **Board of Alderman**

- The Board authorized the Mayor to order a special election to adopt a 2% local sales and use tax. This item will be included on the November ballot.
- The next BOA Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 7pm. This meeting will be held in the Community Center to provide area for “social distancing”.**
- BOA meetings are open to the public, residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.

### **Planning and Zoning**

- We need residents to serve on our Planning and Zoning Commission! The Commission is critical to recommending ordinances and updates to the Board of Alderman to help keep our community safe and beautiful.
- Anyone interested in serving on the Planning and Zoning Commission is encouraged to contact City Hall.
- The next P&Z Meeting is scheduled for **Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 6pm. This meeting will be held in the Community Center to provide area for “social distancing”.**
- These meetings are open to the public, residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.

### **Building Permits**

If you have questions regarding the permitting process or whether or not your project requires a permit, contact **Terry Smith** at [buildingpermits@highlandhaventx.com](mailto:buildingpermits@highlandhaventx.com) or (830) 265-4366 or (830) 637-0869.

### **Solid Waste Service**

- The Trash and Recycling Schedule can be found at:
  - o <https://highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/2020-Highland-Haven-Trash-and-Recycling-Calendar.pdf>

### **HH Water System**

- The Board authorized offering both ACH and Credit Card payment systems for water and solid waste services.
- City Staff is now working to setup these new services. Information will be sent out soon!
- Reminder: all water bills are due at City Hall by 5pm on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.
- On-line bank payments are many times received well past the due date. Bank clearinghouses may process your payment before the due date; however, the check is not received at City Hall until after the due date. Please contact your bank and confirm your payments will be mailed in time to reach us by the 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Home and Yard Maintenance**

- **Property owners are required to trim shrubbery, especially at street intersections and on right of ways.** There are several intersections where bushes are now blocking the view of on-coming traffic. Please help us improve safety at these intersections by trimming back shrubbery.  
<https://highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/Ord037.pdf>

### **Fire Safety**

- Carefully dispose of brush piles that have accumulated in your yard or lot. Review outdoor burning restrictions found in Ordinance #27 and Ordinance #58 before burning.  
<https://highlandhaventx.com/ordinances-resolutions/>
- Granite Shoals Fire Dept. needs volunteers. Call Chief Austin Stanphill at 830-596-8110 for more information.

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

#### **WARN Central Texas**

- Sign up for emergency warnings by voice, text or email at <http://www.warncentraltexas.org/> or call 866-939-0911 to get local alerts.

#### **LCRA Floodgate Operations Notification Service (FONS)**

- Register at <https://www.lcra.org/water/floods/floodgate-operations-notification-system/Pages/default.aspx>
- or call 512-578-3246 or 800-776-5272, Ext. 3246

#### **LCRA Flood Operations Report** <https://floodstatus.lcra.org/>

#### **LCRA Hydromet**

- Get the latest information for the Highland Lakes area including rainfall amounts, rainfall radar images and river flow data. <https://hydromet.lcra.org/>

## **TIME TO DISPOSE OF BRUSH PILES**

Now is the time to **get rid of** brush piles. Summer is already upon us and a Burn Ban could be declared at any time.

- Eliminating brush piles now will greatly reduce our community's fire danger.
- Removing brush piles eliminates areas for rodents, snakes, mosquitos, etc. to nest.
- Ordinance #58 requires property owners and residents to not accumulate piles of brush and debris.
- Ordinances #27 and #58 outline the rules for burning. Residents and property owners must contact the Granite Shoals Fire Dept prior to burning.

## LADIES CLUB

*Board Members: Stacey Leal, Pat Koehn & Gayle Kahanek*

The Highland Haven Ladies Club is again sponsoring the annual patriotic July 4th Parade, but with a few changes this year in line with national and Texas health safety guidelines. (Please call or text questions to Pat Koehn, 512-217-6943.) Map of parade route is on page 6.

- There will be NO SOCIAL GATHERING in the Community Center.
- Facial masks are encouraged, but not required as this is an OUTDOOR event.
- Participants are asked to line up at 8:30 AM along Blackbird Drive, like we always do (on the side of the Community Center) with participant cars, carts, bikes, etc. separated by at least 6 feet. Bring water to drink as it gets hot quickly. The GSVFD will lead the parade!
- Please STAY IN OR RIGHT BESIDE your vehicle. Again, maintain social distancing between people or vehicles.
- NO NUMBERS will be issued, and NO JUDGING will occur. This is an old-fashioned patriotic parade to share with our community.
- Families are asked to put their name on a sign on their vehicle, so that neighbors may get to know who you are.
- Ladies Club volunteers will walk up to each vehicle and give each CHILD a red, white and blue ribbon with gold medallion to wear.
- Upon completing the parade, return in line to Blackbird Drive, on the side of the Community Center, REMAIN IN YOUR VEHICLE. Ladies Club volunteers will walk up to each stopped vehicle and give each person a pre-packaged, ice cold, delicious and refreshing frozen treat to eat as you drive SLOWLY back to your home. NO PEANUTS OR ANY NUTS will be on the treats provided to you.



### FIREWORKS REMINDER

**Fireworks are NOT allowed within the city limits of Highland Haven.**

Ordinance #027, Section 2 c

“Prohibits the ignition, detonation or setting of fireworks within the City Limits of Highland Haven, Texas.”



**HAS YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGED?**

**DO YOU HAVE A NEIGHBOR THAT IS NOT RECEIVING THE NEWSLETTER?**

Send an email to [highlandhavennews@gmail.com](mailto:highlandhavennews@gmail.com) to receive the Highland Haven Newsletter AND important city/community updates.

## PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

*Betty Ward, President*

The POA will continue to follow the state and Burnet County guidelines for coronavirus protection. **We will continue to withhold all activities in our community center until July 31st.** We will monitor the situation on a month to month basis. It is our goal to keep everyone safe during this time!

Thank you, Christina Nabors, for coordinating the new landscape plan around the Community Center. We appreciate the Ladies' Club donation to help make this happen!

Reminder, please do not dump yard clippings, limbs or other items in the parks. If you have any questions regarding this, please give Glen French a call.

All storage rentals are utilized except 2 large covered spaces for RV's. If interested in a space, call David Langford to get your name on a waiting list.

Our next **POA Bi-Annual meeting** will be **August 8th at 10:30 am**, at the Community Center. We will have social distancing in place. This meeting will provide updates from all of our officers. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call us.

Supporting each other is what makes Highland Haven a great community! Let's continue to stay strong!

### Contact Information for the POA Board:

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Sally Cooper, Secretary  
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Glen French, Parks and Grounds Coordinator  
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David Langford  
Boat, Utility Trailer, RV space, Storage Shed Coordinator  
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### **Camp Champions Fireworks** **Best Viewing Location @ Swan Park**

*These are their main shows for closing celebrations.*

Saturday, July 4  
Friday, July 10  
Friday, July 24  
Friday, August 7

*The June 19<sup>th</sup> fireworks show lasted for approximately  
20 minutes & was definitely a crowd pleaser.*

**Parade Route**

Lineup begins at 8:30

Maintain 6 feet distance between families

Starting point at Blackbird and Redbird  
 Parade will proceed down Redbird to W. Pheasant  
 Right onto Highland  
 Flamingo Circle  
 Right onto Highland  
 Left on Bluebird Circle  
 Left on Highland  
 Left on Robin

**Legend:**

- City Hall (Red Square)
- Community Center (Yellow Circle)
- Parade Starting Point (Green Star)

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-  Community Center
-  City Hall

- If you want ice cream, stay in the parade line back to the side of the Community Center on Blackbird.

Ladies Club volunteers will give each person a frozen treat to enjoy.



# HIGHLAND HAVEN JULY 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 <i>Trash &amp; Recycle</i>	3	4 July 4 <sup>th</sup> Parade Lineup @ 8:30  Boat Parade Lineup at 1:00
5	6 Bridge TBA	7 BOA Meeting 7:00	8 NO Ladies Club meeting	9 <i>Trash</i>	10	11
12	13 P&Z Meeting 6:00  Bridge TBA	14	15	16 <i>Trash &amp; Recycle</i>	17	18
19 National Ice Cream Day	20  Bridge TBA	21  BOA Meeting 7:00	22 Newsletter articles/photo deadline	23  <i>Trash</i>	24	25
26	27  Bridge TBA	28  NO Potluck Dinner	29	30  <i>Trash &amp; Recycle</i>		

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