



HIGHLAND HAVEN NEWS

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CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN



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Solid Waste Service

- The Highland Haven Trash and Recycling Schedule can be found by clicking here: [Waste Services](#).
- **Note:** Please ensure that any contractors who are working on your property do not block the street, especially on Thursdays. Blocking the streets can hinder access for emergency personnel and prevent trash and recycle trucks from accessing necessary collection areas.

Board of Aldermen

- BOA meetings are open to the public. Residents and property owners are encouraged to attend. Meetings are normally scheduled on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Community Center.
- The next BOA meeting is Tuesday, November 5, at 7 p.m. at the Community Center.
- Review BOA Agendas and Minutes by clicking here: [Highland Haven Agendas & Minutes](#).

Water Conservation

- The Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District now produces a monthly newsletter. Sign up here: [CTGCD Newsletters](#).
- The Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District continues 10% MANDATORY Drought Water Reductions for all wells through December 31, 2024. More details here: [Drought Status](#).
- The City of Highland Haven groundwater permit has been reduced from 82-acre feet to 73-acre feet due to drought restrictions; please continue efforts to reduce water use.
- The city follows the LCRA outdoor watering schedule:
 - Wednesdays & Saturdays for odd-number addresses
 - Thursdays & Sundays for even-number addresses
 - Hours: Midnight to 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. to midnight.
 - November through February: No watering.
 - Details here: [LCRA Water Supply Contracts](#).
- At the September 17 Board of Alderman meeting, the Board approved the city's Drought Contingency Plan. The city is required to adopt a Drought Contingency Plan by the state. To view our plan, please visit our website.

Water System Improvements

- The water tank project is wrapping up, with both tanks in service and the new bypass pipeline installation completed. This bypass line will improve the system's reliability and efficiency, especially during peak usage times.

GIS Mapping Technology

- *New for Highland Haven!* The city is adopting GIS software to better manage infrastructure, including our water system and road maintenance. This tool will allow us to map essential assets, monitor system status, and plan effectively for future needs, including fire hydrant locations and drainage improvements.

Planning and Zoning Commission

- The Planning and Zoning Commission is in the process of developing a new Comprehensive Plan for the city. The first step in the process is developing a community survey to understand who the community is and items that residents would like to see the city accomplish moving forward. Residents and property owners are encouraged to attend the next regular P&Z meeting on November 14 at 6 p.m. in the Community Center. This plan will help guide future projects, infrastructure, and policies that align with our community's vision, and is something we are required by state law to have.

Utility Services

- Water and trash service customers can save time and stress by enrolling in our ACH program.
- The City of Highland Haven offers automatic bank draft service (ACH). There is no fee for this service. Complete an application and return it to City Hall. The application can be found by clicking here: [ACH Authorization Form](#). Call City Hall if you have any questions at 830-265-4366.
- If you wish to receive your monthly statement via email or text, you must establish an account by clicking here: [RVSPay](#).
- To pay online, use this link: [RVSPay Online Payment](#).
- To pay by phone or with a Credit Card, call 830-265-4362.

Building Permits

- For questions regarding the permitting process, contact us at buildingpermits@highlandhaventx.com or (830) 265-4366.
- **Tom Weaver** is our Building Permit Official and can help you with the permit.

Emergency Preparedness / FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plans

- Pedernales Electric Coop (PEC) emergency event preparation info and outage reporting.
 - <https://www.pec.coop/?s=emergency>
 - <https://www.pec.coop/?s=report+outage>
- This information is included in all newsletters as part of our FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Below are links to information to help you prepare for an emergency:
 - [Disaster Supply Checklist](#)
 - [Ready.gov Kit](#)
 - [Emergency Supplies Kit](#)
 - [FEMA Emergency Kit](#)
- It is never too early to sign up for emergency early warning notices. You can now click on the following link and sign up for any of the services listed below: [Emergency Resources](#)
 - Warn Central Texas
 - LCRA Floodgate Operations Notification Service (FONS)
 - LCRA Flood Operations

Visit Our Website!

- Visit the website and subscribe to receive emails and texts when items are posted by clicking here: [Highland Haven](#).
- You can subscribe to receive emergency alerts from the City via text, email, or both by clicking here: [Subscribe to Updates](#).

- We encourage you to use our website to find information about our Board of Aldermen and Planning & Zoning meetings; water and solid waste services (including pay online options), agendas, forms, permits, community activities, news, notices, AND MORE!

REMINDER - VOTE NOVEMBER 5

*Anybody in Highland Haven or Shady Acres needing a ride on November 5th,
call 830-598-7019 or 916-847-3665 one day in advance.*

HIGHLAND HAVEN LADIES CLUB

Pat Koehn, President and Sherry Moore, Secretary



On November 11th at 10am, a **Veteran's Day Coffee and Ceremony** will be held at the community center. **Lorinda Peters** will begin the ceremony by playing the bagpipes and the **Hill Country Blenders** will entertain us with a few songs. Veterans and those that want to thank our Veterans are invited to attend.

The LAST Ladies Club meeting of 2024 is November 13th, 1:00 pm.

Another Bosseln Game is on the calendar for Saturday, November 23rd (weather permitting). Meet at the Community Center and plan to wear comfortable shoes, especially since you may be walking 1.2+ miles. Bring your own drinks & snacks ... a wagon is usually the best mode of transporting your goodies.

* REMINDER: NO POTLUCK DINNER in November AND December.

Mark your calendar for December 4th @ 10am, when volunteers are needed to assist in decorating the bridge into Highland Haven (Curtis Fry Bridge) and the Community Center. Bring your spouse and/or friends ... it takes a village to get the job done! The Ladies Club has the decorations, we just need your help.

Make plans to attend our Annual Community Christmas Dinner on Sunday, Dec. 8th. Social is at 6:00pm with dinner served at 6:30pm. Miss Vickie will cater the dinner, and her delicious **menu** is **turkey, dressing, & gravy**. Tea & coffee will be provided. Bring a salad, side or dessert to share. As always, BYOB.

The Ladies Club will have a Food Bank Donation Box at the Christmas dinner... available for your donations. Canned goods, dried and boxed food will be delivered to the Kingsland and/or Granite Shoals food banks before Christmas. It will be a good time to clean out your pantry of items that are nearing their expiration date. Canned meats and vegetables, pastas, and dried beans are always needed. Please plan to contribute! Questions, please contact chairs: Pam Hines 830-637-7409 or Lynn Smith at 713-299-3781. If you will not be at a potluck and would like to donate, contact Lynn to drop at her house.

The Annual Ladies Club Christmas party is Wednesday, December 11th @ 1:00pm. What is a party without food and laughter? Bring a snack to share and as usual, BYOB. A traditional White Elephant Exchange is always the highlight with lots of fun & laughter. If you would like to participate bring a wrapped \$15 gift.

HIGHLAND HAVEN PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

Greg Rabaey, President



Trailer & Storage Rentals

Renewals for Trailer and Storage rental agreements will be sent out shortly. If you no longer need your storage space or trailer space, please notify us immediately. The Storage & Trailer facilities waiting lists have shortened up. If you're interested in a storage locker or a trailer storage spot for 2025, please contact Karen Mcright; karenmcright@gmail.com.

Nominations are now OPEN for POA Board Positions

The POA is seeking nominations for the following board positions for 2025:

- President
- Park & Grounds Coordinator
- Trailers & Storage Area Coordinator

If you have any questions regarding responsibilities for each position, please contact **Greg Rabaey**, gregrabaey@gmail.com. Ballots will be mailed the first week in January with results presented at the February 8th Biannual meeting.

Our community has always had strong volunteers. Supporting each other is what makes Highland Haven a great community. Please consider serving in one of these positions.

THANK YOU to all our POA volunteers!

Please take minute this week to THANK our ALL volunteer POA Board Members.



Mark your calendars for the following HHPOA meetings:

November 21 - **Board Meeting @ 5:30pm**

December – NO MEETING

January 16, 2025 **Regular Business Meeting**

February 8, 2025 -- **Biannual Meeting**

**City Offices will be
CLOSED November 11, 28, 29
and will close early November 27**

Thanksgiving is a time of
reflection for all our
blessings.
Have a joyous
Thanksgiving.






Begin making plans for your Christmas Yard Decorations.

Categories include - 1st Place Religious ... 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Holiday ... Angel Award ... and Honorable Mentions.

The date for judging will be announced after November 13th.

HIGHLAND HAVEN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

November 2024

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | 1 <i>Circuit Class</i> 11:45 – 12:45 | 2 |
| 3 <i>Daylight Saving Time</i> <i>Clocks FALL back</i> | 4 <i>Quilting 10 am</i> <i>Bridge Lessons 3:00pm</i> <i>Bridge 7:00</i> | 5  VOTE <i>Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45</i> ~ BOA Mtg 7:00 PM | 6 | 7 <i>Trash</i> | 8 <i>Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45</i> | 9 |
| 10  | 11 Veteran's Day <i>Ceremony @ 10am</i> ~~~ <i>Bridge Lessons 3:00pm</i> ~~~ <i>Bridge 7:00</i> | 12 <i>Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45</i> | 13 <i>Ladies Club Meeting 1:00pm</i> ~ | 14 P&Z Meeting 6:00pm <i>Trash & Recycle</i> | 15 <i>Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45</i> | 16 |
| 17 | 18 <i>Quilting 10 am</i> <i>Bridge Lessons 3:00pm</i> <i>Bridge 7:00</i> | 19 <i>Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45</i> ~ BOA Mtg 7:00 PM | 20 Newsletter Article deadline Calendar Deadline | 21 HHPOA Board Meeting 5:30 pm <i>Trash</i> | 22 <i>Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45</i> | 23 Bosseln Game 3:00 @ CC |
| 24 | 25 <i>Bridge Lessons 3:00pm</i> <i>Bridge 7:00</i> | 26 <i>Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45</i> NO Potluck Dinner | 27 <i>City Offices close @ noon</i> NO Bingo Or Game Night | 28  THANKSGIVING <i>Trash & Recycle</i> <div>City Offices Closed</div> | 29 <i>Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45</i> | 30 |