

# HLPOA NEWSLETTER

HIGHLAND LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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## ***PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE***

*C'mon Spring! I know we need the moisture -- especially with fire season approaching -- but my old bones could use some 50-to-60-degree weather for several days in a row.*

*We've been receiving a lot of complaints of late about things that everyone should already know. Let's remind ourselves to be courteous and respectful of our neighbors and their property.*

*Dog poop is not being picked up and/or disposed of properly, especially around the Community Building. This is especially troublesome when we have children's activities like the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt.*

*A reminder! Please be sure to take your trash cans off the main roads the day after trash pick-up. To my knowledge, the local trash pick-up companies all pick up on Wednesday so you should have your cans off the road by Thursday afternoon.*

*Be sure to check out our Activities Committee article in this Newsletter. Our Committee Chair, Wendy Boals, has several things scheduled. Get involved! We'd love to have you. You might even have a good time.*

*I know the fisherman among us are "chomping at the bit" to get back on the water, but please be careful. The ice may still look safe, but it may not be. It'd be a cold plunge.*

*Grin Time: A family was celebrating their daughter's fifth birthday at a restaurant when the girl's father noticed her staring at a moose head on the wall. Someone had placed a party hat on it. He told her why some people hunt animals.*

***"I know that" the girl cried. "But why'd they shoot him at his birthday party?"***

*Have a happy Spring!*

**Paul Stecklein**  
**President, HLPOA**  
**[epstecklein@aol.com](mailto:epstecklein@aol.com), 687-2234**

## **Committee Reports and Information**

**Activities Committee:** We are excited for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt coming up on Saturday, April 9th starting at 1:00 p.m. at the HLPOA Community Building. All children ages from 0-12 are invited to attend and look for eggs, plus the "Golden Egg" which will have a fun prize. Along with the Egg Hunt, there will be snacks - so come on out for a great afternoon of fun and don't forget your Easter egg basket. If possible, please email Wendy Boals at [WendyBoals@yahoo.com](mailto:WendyBoals@yahoo.com) or text Wendy at 608-214-6235 for how many children you plan on bringing. It helps us plan better to know the number of children who will attend.

Plan now to attend the HLPOA Annual Meeting on Saturday, June 4th at 12:00 noon, followed by a potluck meal. The meat and drink will be furnished, so please bring a dish to pass.

On Saturday, June 18th there will be the annual Work Day from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon with a meal provided. Come and help clean up our area and meet with friends and neighbors.

Please pay attention to the Announcement Boards around the neighborhood plus Facebook for detailed information.

**Wendy Boals, 719-686-6971, [wendyboals@yahoo.com](mailto:wendyboals@yahoo.com)**

**Architectural Control Committee:** Sam Baucom, our ACC Chairman for the past several years, has resigned his position due to family obligations. Thank you, Sam, for your years of service to Highland Lakes! Kathy Campbell has temporarily taken over this position. She has been a member of the ACC for several years.

Let's talk about ACC projects:

Please be aware of the ACC rules located on the [HLPOA.net](http://HLPOA.net) website, under rules, construction. The ACC Form (HLPOA ACC Construction Approval Checklist) for projects is posted on the first page under RECENT UPDATES. These rules are in place to maintain our community at the highest standards and keep our neighborhood beautiful. We all live in a Covenanted Homeowners Association Community and the rules we have apply to you and everyone else who lives here.

Please remember that our rules require that colors (painting, siding, and roofs) should be approved, and they should be EARTHTONE (browns, greens, grey, tan -- not white or lime green). Think of the colors in the forest -- trees grasses, tree bark, earth. If you are repainting or reroofing or putting on new siding, please send colors to the ACC for approval. No Quonset hut designs or metal barn siding are allowed.

If you are building a new home, your design should be similar to a mountain cabin design with a roof pitch of 6 to 12. There are a number of covenants you should be aware of before building. These can also be found on [HLPOA.net](http://HLPOA.net). Please be advised that you should submit your plans to the ACC before beginning construction so that we can be sure all the covenants have been met.

Please forward all your planned projects with designs and plans to Kathy Campbell so we can get committee approval as soon as possible at [kathymacecampbell@gmail.com](mailto:kathymacecampbell@gmail.com). Please remember -- all new projects, such as storage sheds, garages, additions that are over 200 square feet REQUIRE a Teller County building permit. A copy of the building permit needs to be sent to the ACC as well.

**Kathy Campbell, ACC chairman, [kathymacecampbell@gmail.com](mailto:kathymacecampbell@gmail.com), 281-744-3349**

**FireWise Committee:** Mark your calendar and plan to attend the Wildfire Community Preparedness Day on Saturday, May 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the NE Teller County Fire Station, 1010 Evergreen Heights Drive, Woodland Park. You can learn how to make your home safer by reducing exterior fuels. Talk to experts about when and how to evacuate safely. Sign up for emergency notifications via your cell phone. Sign up for a free, confidential assessment of your home's exterior. Take home information. Bring along your home fire extinguishers for a free inspection. I look forward to seeing you there.

Before you go, visit the following sites to familiarize yourself with the basic information. The experts at the event will answer any questions you may have:

ReadyForWildfire.org

<https://csfs.colostate.edu/wildfire-mitigation/>

"Your Home Can Survive a Wildfire" available on YOUTUBE

For more information, contact **Garry Cote, [sgcote@aol.com](mailto:sgcote@aol.com), 687-0338.**

**Fishing Committee:** If you are like me, every once in a while the weather looks like I could go fishing, but the ice is still on the lakes and ponds as I write this. I hope most of you have communicated with Fred ([reenie\\_1@msn.com](mailto:reenie_1@msn.com)), Monica ([hoitoi80814@msn.com](mailto:hoitoi80814@msn.com)) or myself ([getkings0104@msn.com](mailto:getkings0104@msn.com)) to purchase your fishing permits for this year. If you missed the permit sale last Saturday, contact one of us and we'll get you set up with permits. Homeowner's dues must be paid to HLPOA in order to get fishing permits. Because of continuing increases in the cost of fish, the cost for permits will likely increase next year. For this year, we are changing the fish limits for children and guests to 2 fish per day. Catch and release ponds are still 5 and 6. Ponds 2, 3, and 7 (if it is holding water) will have a 2 fish limit. Ponds 1 and 4 will not be stocked due to dam repairs this year. Mark your calendars for July 16<sup>th</sup> - this year's Fishing Derby. More information will follow in the next newsletter!!

PLEASE, PLEASE BE CAREFUL IF YOU CHOOSE TO ICE FISH! IN THE SPRINGTIME, THE ICE DEPTH CAN CHANGE ALMOST DAILY. ICE FISHING IS AT YOUR OWN RISK!

Thank you, **Roger King, Chairman, 687-0104**, and the fishing committee.

**Maintenance Committee:** Everything looks good so far. With winter coming to a close, I'll be out and about checking everything. Any problems you see, please call me. **Mickey Corcoran, Chairman, 453-1246 or cell 224-234-1755**

**Neighborhood Watch:** Keep your eyes open and stay observant. Report any suspicious activity to your block captain, or give Fred or Chris a call!

**Should you need help, contact one the following:**

Your Block Captain

Fred Swets (719) 687-2307

Chris Becker (636) 675-7854

**or 911 for the Sheriff's Office**

**Trails Committee:** If you have any problems, concerns, or recommendations for our trails here, please let Ben know. **Ben Boals, Chairperson, 608-558-0038, [boals.trucking@gmail.com](mailto:boals.trucking@gmail.com)**

**Welcome Committee:** We are still delivering Welcome Bags to our new residents that moved into our neighborhood. If for some reason you moved here recently and did not receive a bag, please let Wendy know so you can get your bag along with very helpful information. For new residents, there will be a New Residents Meeting on Saturday, May 7th at 10:30 a.m. You are encouraged to attend and meet the HLPOA committee members, plus gain valuable information about life here in Highland Lakes. Call Wendy with questions! **Wendy Boals, 719-686-6971, [wendyboals@yahoo.com](mailto:wendyboals@yahoo.com)**

## **COMMUNITY BUILDING CALENDAR – 2022**

### **Weekly:**

Monday	Line Dancing	11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Tuesday and Thursday	Yoga (gazebo in summer)	10:15 am - 11:15 am
Wednesday	Pickleball (resumes in Spring)	9:00 am – 11:00 am

## 2022 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS & RESERVATIONS

April 9, 2022, Saturday	Easter Egg Hunt	1:00 p.m.
May 7, 2022, Saturday	New Residents Meeting	10:30 a.m.
June 4, 2022, Saturday	HLPOA Annual Meeting	12:00 p.m. Noon
June 18, 2022, Saturday	Annual Work Day	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
July 16, 2022, Saturday	Fishing Derby	8:00 a.m.
October 1, 2022, Saturday	New Residents Meeting	10:30 a.m.
October 6, 2022, Thursday	Neighborhood Watch Meeting	7:00 p.m.
October 29, 2022, Saturday	Halloween/Harvest Party	12:00 Noon
December, 2022	Christmas Party	TBD

The HLPOA Board of Directors Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm.

The HLPOA Water Board Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm.

All Property Owners are invited to attend.

**ANY CHANGES WILL BE NOTED IN THE NEWSLETTER, SPECIAL EMAILS, OR THE COMMUNICATION BOARDS.**

**HLPOA Board Members:**

<b>Paul Stecklein</b>	<b>President, Director</b>	<b>687-2234</b>
<b>Fred Swets</b>	<b>Vice President</b>	<b>687-2307</b>
<b>Renee Tate</b>	<b>Secretary/Treasurer</b>	<b>687-9465</b>
<b>Roger King</b>	<b>Director</b>	<b>687-0104</b>
<b>Ross Parnow</b>	<b>Director</b>	<b>719-373-0613</b>
<b>Mickey Corcoran</b>	<b>Director</b>	<b>224-234-1755</b>
<b>Dan Odell</b>	<b>Director</b>	<b>686-7704</b>

**Committee Chairs:**

<b>Activities</b>	<b>Wendy Boals</b>	<b>686-6971</b>
<b>Architectural Control</b>	<b>Kathy Campbell</b>	<b>281-744-3349</b>
<b>Budget/Finance</b>	<b>Renee Tate</b>	<b>687-9465</b>
<b>FireWise</b>	<b>Garry Cote</b>	<b>687-0338</b>
<b>Fishing</b>	<b>Roger King</b>	<b>687-0104</b>
<b>Maintenance</b>	<b>Mickey Corcoran</b>	<b>453-1246</b>
<b>Neighborhood Watch</b>	<b>Fred Swets</b>	<b>687-2307</b>
	<b>Chris Becker</b>	<b>636-675-7854</b>
<b>Newsletter</b>	<b>Kathy Campbell</b>	<b>281-744-3349</b>
<b>Trails</b>	<b>Ben Boals</b>	<b>608-558-0038</b>
<b>Water District Liaison</b>	<b>Luke St. Onge</b>	
<b>Web Page</b>	<b>Dan Odell</b>	<b>686-7704</b>
<b>Welcome</b>	<b>Wendy Boals</b>	<b>686-6971</b>

**SNOW PLOWERS FOR HIGHLAND LAKES**

**(Revised 11-6-19)**

<b>Don Bartron</b>	<b>687-7561</b>	<b>Maroon Lake Circle</b>	<b>ATV with Chains Light Shoveling</b>
<b>Jay Brown</b>	<b>687-3029</b>	<b>Maroon Lake Circle</b>	<b>ATV with Chains</b>
<b>Rick Cochran</b>	<b>687-0340</b>	<b>3198 Blue Mesa Drive</b>	<b>ATV with Chains</b>
<b>Scott Rudy</b>	<b>687-4484</b>	<b>Lost Lake Drive</b>	<b>ATV &amp; Polaris Ranger Plow</b>
<b>Dave Walker</b>	<b>686-1210</b>	<b>Woodland Park</b>	<b>3/4 Ton Truck with Plow</b>
	<b>510-2623 (cell)</b>		
<b>Steve Annis</b>	<b>687-1981</b>		<b>Pick-up with snow blade</b>

**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:**

**Highland Lakes Water District:**

**Business Office 687-7937**

**Emergencies 247-1191**

**Teller County Animal Control: 304-5740**

**Teller County Clerk/Recorder: 689-2951**

**Teller County Commissioners: 689-2988**

**Teller County Public Health and  
Environment: 687-6416**

**Teller County Sheriff's Office: 687-9652**