



THE HIGHLANDS FLING March 2025



MARCH EVENTS

MARCH OPEN BOARD MEETING Wed. March 19

Please submit agenda items to the office by Wednesday, March 12. All are welcome at the Board Meeting on Wednesday, March 19 at 10:00 am.

INFORMATION MEETING

Thursday, March 27, 2025
Clubhouse
10am-Noon

All are welcome to attend.

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READY, SET, GO

If we have an environmental emergency, it behooves us to be prepared. Golder Ranch Fire has prepared door knob with pertinent information. These are available in our Clubhouse near the extra FLINGS or you can call Jane @ 520.245.4164 for information.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast will be on March 12, 2025 at the Ole Mexican Grill located at [2080 W Orange Grove Rd.](#) The sign-up sheet is located in the Clubhouse. Just FYI the restaurant does not open until 8AM. Please sign up by 5PM on March 10th so that I may give the restaurant an accurate headcount ... 26 people signed up for the February event with 21 attendees.

If you sign up and can't make it, kindly give Steve Horst a call so that I may notify the restaurant and reduce the number of place settings we need. It is greatly appreciated. Don't forget your pins! If you don't have one I'll get you one!!

HIGHLAND HIKERS

Come join us for some beautiful views and blooming springtime! March 10 and March 28. See sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for details of the hike. Contact Cheryl Stafford for questions.

HIGHLANDS BOOK CLUB

For the March discussion, readers are choosing from all things Irish... an Irish author, Irish setting, Irish history, Irish recipes, Irish mythology, Irish biography.... you get the picture. Choose a book to read and share with the group on Monday, March 10 at 10 a.m. in the Resource Room. Our April selection will be "The Talented Mr. Ripley," a classic thriller by Patricia Highstreet. Copies will be available at the March meeting, or contact Valerie Day.

CRAFTS

Souvenir Plate
March 10th, at 1:00pm in the Resource Room.

Sharon Dennis, Instructor
Come try something different!! Decoupage a charger plate! Easy craft with several different patterns to choose from. Sign up in the clubhouse. Cost is \$5



FOOD TRUCK UPDATE

If you're planning to enjoy the Clear Country Band and Food Trucks on March 27th, please remember the following: Contact Jamie (309-230-0233) for a ticket; sign your name and food choice on either the BBQ or Taco food truck sheets, but if you just want to have great food **PLEASE** use the "Resident" sheet with your name, food choice and print 'BBQ or TACO' in the column on the right side. If you have any questions, reach out to Jamie.

HIGHLANDS OLYMPICS

On a beautiful day on February 20, 2025 The Highlands Olympics once again took place. A good time was had by all. The winning teams were Gold medal to Team DIRFM, Silver medal to Team FOP and Bronze medal to Team Black Sheep. Don't forget that there will be another Tan-Tuesday Concert put on by HORAC on Tuesday March 18th at 2 p.m. Poolside by a group called Chance Romance.



TAN-TUESDAY CONCERT

Tuesday, March 18th at 2pm
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REMINDERS:

Outdoor events at the miniature golf location **Thursday, March 20th at 10am.**

PICKLEBALL

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9 a.m. at Riverfront Park.

FRUIT PICKING

Are you over run with fruit this year? Some trees are, some not so much. Here is the organization that comes out and picks your fruit tree - and asks for a donation of \$25. ISKASHITAA refugee network. (The word is an African word for "working cooperatively together" in the language of the Somali Bantu people, called Maay Maay.) You can phone them and request a harvest appointment (520) 440-0100 Or go online to <https://www.iskashitaa.org/donate-your-fruit> and submit a harvest form. From there, they contact you to set up a date and time. Go online to see what they're all about. It's a program that combats food waste and makes and sells things even from the fruit pickings. Food is then distributed to food banks, schools, markets, any other food deprived outlet.

Information@iskashitaa.org

POUR PAINTING

Come join us in a pour painting workshop where you select different colors of paints, mix them and "pour" them onto your canvas to create an unplanned and surprising work of art! The only requirement is that I would ask you to watch a few videos of the techniques in order to familiarize yourself with this art form. If you have any questions, please give me a call. Patti Triplett 520-887-4120. Sign up in the Clubhouse. Cost \$5 March 24th, at 1:00pm in the Resource Room
Patti Triplett-instructor

TRAVEL PROGRAM

Highlands resident daughter and father travels!

Sara Danville-Gelhaus is giving a presentation of the trip she and her father, Paul, a new resident in The Highlands, took last September. It will be held in the Clubhouse on **Friday, March 28, 2025, from 10:00AM-Noon.** If you have never been to one of Sara's travel programs, well—you've missed it. Very enjoyable to the arm-chair travelers. If you saw Sara's images at the Clubhouse, you may have noticed some were photographed in Tunisia. If you want to learn more about the subjects in the exhibit or if you just want to learn about Tunisia, join us.

KUDOS

We have so much to be thankful for in our community. Specifically - all the coordinators and volunteers that make so many things happen to create this fun and functional community we live in. For example: It takes a cadre to orchestrate our election process each December - February. The timing and processing of the materials takes work, commitment and understanding. Thanks to Rich Vertel - chairman of this election committee. Thanks to long-time help from Linc Keilman and Cheryl Stafford, and volunteers to stuff and stamp envelopes. And thanks right down to the front desk this year, with Diane picking up the reins from the galloping horse upon Lynne's departure, thankfully with Lynne prepping the reins:

Hope you had a chance to snatch up a deal at the White Elephant Sale. Speaking of kudos to long-time organizers - Jamie and Steve Horst. And the army of volunteers it takes to set up and run and take down this annual sale. By Saturday evening you would never know that place was filled with stuff and people for two days. Special thanks to Gary Wilkinson for refurbishing our "marquee" elephant for this year's White Elephant Sale. We'll look forward to displaying this in the years to come as buyers come into the Clubhouse!. Thanks again Gary from the co-chairs of the highlands White Elephant Sale, Steve & Jamie Horst.

HORAC has a committee that pulls off unique events - and thanks to that group for the fun Olympic Games! There was a lot of laughing and carrying on!

SOCIAL COMMITTEE under the long-time direction of Cindy Bennett - who knows exactly where the spare paper plates are and baggies to bag up surplus pulled pork! Her committee provides a ton of beauty to our clubhouse too - with rotating art exhibits and seasonal decor. If you like to host parties and decorate, please join their committee.

Last, but not least, there are volunteers to thank for delivering the Fling to our mail tubes every month. Thank you Jane Force for delivering the east side, Tere and Dan Wojdyla the center, and on the west side Larry and Linda Wilcoxson. And now joining us, Rodney McBride.

A list of club organizers and their contact information is on the bulletin board in the clubhouse.



Refurbished by Gary Wilkinson

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

3/1 Colleen Nolan
3/2 Jan Gates
3/5 Joann Leider
3/7 Carol Alberda
3/10 Darlene Sand
3/11 Kay Delong
3/13 Barbara Moe
3/19 Dan Wojdyla
3/24 Lela Krohn
3/28 Tony Springer
3/29 Michael Ganoff

CLUCK, CLUCK, CLUCK !!

Chicken and Karaoke..... again. Join us Sunday, March 23rd, at 5:00 pm for Chicken and Karaoke/Sing-Along. Join your friends and neighbors for a nice chicken meal, then stick around to help entertain or be entertained by those same friends and neighbors. Only \$5.00 each will get you fried chicken, side dish (to-be-determined), salad, and coffee (or bring your own beverage). Please sign up in the poker room so we know how much to buy. Don't forget to **BRING YOUR OWN TABLE SERVICE**. Also, we'll give you 4 chances to win back your \$5.00 with a few trivia questions. See ya there.



LAST PAGE

This section is a communication between the board and our residents, plus a Marketplace to list sale/rent/trade/services in the neighborhood.

OPEN BOARD MEETING DISCUSSIONS:

THE POOL ISSUES have been addressed, researched and are being worked on. This involves the water emptying, pool maintenance improvements, and working with the demand water heater at that out-door shower.

DO NOT FEED 4-LEGGED WILDLIFE! This bares repeating. There is a growing herd of *'pigs' roaming around. Coyotes also. Feeding them is not helpful to anyone nor to the animal. (* javalina, technically not pigs).

LANDSCAPING ISSUE - and the leaning saguaro - will be addressed with Complete Landscape. This would be an additional expense, not covered in their contract.

- GOOD CLERICAL SUGGESTIONS:**
1. Disclaimer slips to borrow tools from garage.
 2. Update the Voter Excel Spreadsheet. There were incorrect addresses.

This in part might explain the low turnout of voters for our election. That - and incorrectly reading the wording of the ballot information. Things like deadlines and signatures have to be enforced as we are following state laws for conducting business for HOAs.

REGARDING WEEDS:
It's time to arrange for your weed service. Get those grandkids to work! That downpour we had last month stimulated super lush weeds!

COMMUNITY MEETING
Thursday March 27, 10 am to noon.
Chuck is conducting another community discussion meeting - an informal, rather unstructured get-together to air comments or questions. At the last one it was suggested that more of these sessions would be nice. So - thank you Chuck.

MARKETPLACE.....

Residents can buy/sell/items or services to other residents of the Highlands.

This section is for bartering or marketing from neighbor to neighbor in the Highlands.

If you want your listing continued or changed you must email me before our 3rd week of the month production. CROSEHIGHLANDS23@GMAIL.COM and put Marketplace in subject line.

Hand Painted Greeting Cards: If anyone is in need of my watercolor cards, you don't need to wait for a craft show to purchase them. Just call or text me: Patti Triplett at 520-887-4120.

Drywall repairs:
Install drywall. Tape, Texture and finish.
44 years experience. Lenny Beyer
847-417-9684

BOARD ELECTION RESULTS:
At our Feb. 7 meeting, it was announced that the 3 members of the next board are two who reran (to save us from resorting to a professional management company), Rich Vertel and Tony Bettens. The newly elected member is Penny Wolff. Thank you to everyone who ran.

COMMUNITY ISSUES: Brought to my attention: How is it possible to put a yield sign at a dangerous, near collision point in the road? People driving out of Shenandoah St. should yield to anyone coming from the clubhouse circle. Right?

DONATO'S PARTY: That was a great party - with contributions from everywhere. From the artwork done by Morris for Donato's plaque - that was too beautiful to describe - to the flower arrangements by Patti Triplett. Plus all the delicious food prepared by board members and their cohorts. Special shout out to Shelly and Dave Armstrong who smoked all that meat and made the beans to accompany it! And topped it off with home-made ice cream! Yvonne Kuhlman brought this all together. Everybody had a chance to shake his hand - and express appreciation. He promised he wouldn't be a stranger.

MARCH 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Ramadan begins Pancake Breakfast 7:30 AM Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm
2 Bingo 2:00 pm	3 Pickleball 9:00 am Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 6:30 pm	4 Mardi Gras Coffee 8:00 am Line Dancing 10:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm	5 Ash Wednesday Pickleball 9:00 am Chair Yoga 11:00 am Gourds 1:00 pm GOLF Poker 5:30 pm	6 HORAC 9:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm Bunco 4:00 pm	7 Pickleball 9:00 am Social Hour 4:00 pm	8 Coffee Chat 9:00 am Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm
9 Daylight Saving Bingo 2:00 pm	10 Hiking 8:30am Pickleball 9:00 am Book Club 10:00 am Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 6:30 pm	11 Coffee 8:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm Potluck 5:00 pm	12 Pickleball 9:00am Men's Breakfast 8:00 Chair Yoga 11:00 am Gourds 1:00 pm GOLF Poker 5:30 pm	13 Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm	14 Pickleball 9:00 am Social Hour 4:00 pm	15 Craft Market 9:00 am Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm
16 Bingo 2:00 pm	17 St. Patrick's Day Pickleball 9:00 am Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 6:30 pm	18 Coffee 8:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Outdoor Concert 2:00 Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm	19 Pickleball 9:00am Board Meeting 10:00 am Chair Yoga 11:00 am Gourds 1:00 pm GOLF Poker 5:30 pm	20 Outdoor Games 10:00 Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm Bunco 4:00pm	21 Pickleball 9:00 am Social Meeting 9:00 am Social Hour 4:00 pm	22 Coffee Chat 9:00 am Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm
23 Bingo 2:00 pm Dinner & Karaoke 5:00	24 Pickleball 9:00 am Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 6:30 pm	25 Coffee 8:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm	26 Pickleball 9:00am Chair Yoga 11:00 am GOLF Poker 5:30 pm	27 Open Meeting 10: Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm Country Western & Food Truck 5:00pm	28 Hiking 8:30 am Pickleball 9:00 am Presentation on Tunisia 10:00 am Social Hour 4:00 pm	29 Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm Clubhouse Rented 2:00
30 Bingo 2:00 pm Golf Banquet 5:00 pm	31 Pickleball 9:00 am Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 6:30 pm	Notes:			All Activities Held in the Clubhouse/Pool EXCEPT Green = Resource Room Red = Off Site Activity	