# The Highlands Fling

## NOVEMBER 2026




## NOVEMBER EVENTS

**Water Aerobics**
Tuesday & Thursday, 10am

**Cornhole**
Every Monday, 1pm

**Lifestyle Yoga**
Wednesdays, 11am

**Highlands Book Club**
Monday, November 9, 10am

**Food Truck**
Monday, November 9, 4pm

**Vaccine Clinic**
Tuesday, November 10, 9am

**Men's Breakfast**
Wedneday, November 11, 8am

**Craft Fair**
Saturday, November 14, 10am

**Art Class**
Monday, November 16, 1pm

**Thanksgiving Potluck**
Thursday, November 26, 2:30pm

**Next Open Board Meeting**
Wednesday, November 18, 10am
*Please submit any agenda items to the office by November 11.*

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## THE HIGHLANDS PET POLICY

This policy has been revised. If you didn't get a copy at the Board Meeting, and would like to examine the revisions, Diane has copies in the office. The changes will be voted on at the next board meeting (Nov. 18).

## LIFESTYLE YOGA

**Wednesday, November 4**
**Clubhouse, 11am**

Join me for this gentle yoga class, using a chair as a prop & some standing poses as well. We will strengthen with some weights, stretch from the chair, and stand for some balance postures, and more. The first class is Nov. 4, 11am in the Clubhouse. Just show up and be ready to feel more energized, stronger & confident! Donations accepted. Questions? Call Suzen at 505-927-4216

## HIGHLANDS BOOK CLUB

**Monday, November 9**
**Resource Room, 10am**

On November 9 we will discuss William Kent Krueger's stand-alone mystery *The River We Remember.* Published in 2023 with multiple commendations, it continues to be a very popular volume. The author comments on this book: "For me, *The River We Remember* is a story of how we help one another heal from the wounds of the battles we fight in life, of how we transform hate and anger into compassion." I love this novel, and I offer it with a full heart and the hope that when you've finished reading it, you will love it, too. The book club meets the second Monday of every month at 10 a.m. in the Resource Room. Everyone is welcome for informal discussion about books and reading. Looking ahead, we will have a book swap and be choosing a title by Kristen Hannah. Watch the bulletin board in the library for details. No sign-up needed.

## FOOD TRUCK UPDATE

**Monday, November 9**

If you're planning to enjoy the Clear Country Band and/or the Flaming Hearts BBQ truck on ***November 9th***, please remember the following: Contact Ed (Trippi) Tripplet, Bernie Lee or Jamie Horst for a ticket. Then, in the clubhouse, you'll see (2) clipboards where you'll see the menu. Once you decide, please sign your name (one person per line) and your food choice. If you purchased a ticket you'll sign up on the sheet that reads Clear Country Band, but if you just want to have great food ***PLEASE*** use the "Resident" sheet with your name and your food choice. As in the past, you'll be given a number with the letter "B" or "R" as to when you'll need to pick up your food choice at the truck. The Flaming Hearts BBQ Food Truck will be on site and will start serving around 4:00 p.m. and will stay until everyone has been served. If you have any questions, reach out to Jamie (***309-230-0233***).

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

**Wednesday, November 11**
**Ole Mexican Grill, 8am**
**2080 W Orange Grove Rd**

With the return of more of our Seasonal Residents and the cooler weather continuing, we look forward to seeing new faces from the Highlands and some more regulars. The breakfast will be at the Ole Mexican Grill located at 2080 W Orange Grove Rd. Delicious Mexican breakfasts as well as traditional American breakfasts are available! The sign-up sheet is in the Poker room of the Clubhouse. Looking forward to seeing you all again in November and the friendship and good conversations the breakfast brings. If you have not received a Men's Breakfast Pin let me know and I will see that you get one. Any questions or comments feel free to call Steve Horst at 309-781-5154.

## THANK A VET

**November 11**

Look for a flag in front of homes on Veterans Day and thank the resident for his, her or their service.

## CRAFT FAIR

**Saturday, November 14**

"In house" Craft Fair starts at 10:00 am after Coffee Chat. Please invite your friends to come join in the FUN. There will be handmade holiday decorations, gifts, and cards to start your holiday shopping. Crafters, if you want to participate, you must sign up for a table in the clubhouse clipboards. Sale will run from 10:00 to Noon.

## ART CLASS FALL LEAVES

**Monday, November 16**
**Resource Room, 1pm**



Come join us in the Resource Room for the first class of the season and paint a grouping of beautiful fall leaves. Be sure to sign up on the clipboards in the clubhouse so we know how many to plan for. Cost is $5, Instructor: Patti Triplett 520-887-4120

## CELEBRATIONS OF LIFE

***Inga Danville***

**Saturday, November 14**
**Resurrection Lutheran Church**

The funeral and celebration of the life of Inga Danville, mother of Sara Danville-Gelhaus and ex-wife of Sara's dad, Paul Danville, will take place on Saturday, November 14, 2026, at 2PM. Inga had many ties to The Highlands. Inga was the sister of long-time resident, Paul Finstad and former resident, Anne Jacobson. She was also the cousin of former resident, Darlene Sand, and aunt to former resident, Paul Jacobson and former owner, Jane Finstad Ordway. If anyone wants to attend, we are all wearing green in her honor.

***Reggie "Regg" Wenaas***

**Saturday, November 21**
**Clubhouse 3pm**

Please join us to celebrate with friends and family the life of Regg Wenaas. Regg, 83, went to be with his Lord and Savior. We would love to have you! Sign-up sheet in the poker room.

## THANKSGIVING POTLUCK

**Thursday, November 26**
**Clubhouse 2:30pm**

When attending a Potluck at The Highlands, you should bring a dish to share, something that will serve 8-10 people. Also, please bring your own place setting and SIGN UP at the clubhouse. Cutoff date is November 19. There will be limited seating, and turkey will be supplied by The Social Committee. It's everyone's responsibility to clean up after themselves when using the clubhouse. There is always a broom and dustpan in the laundry room.

## HORAC UPDATE

A Note from the HORAC: Cool Weather & Hot Plans! ❄

Now that the weather is finally cooling down, HORAC is busy cooking up some fantastic ways for us to get outside and enjoy the season together! While we're still putting the finishing touches on the official schedule, here's a sneak peek at what's heading our way this winter:

- Movie Nights Under the Stars (Brand New!)
- Stargazing Gatherings (Brand New!)
- Bonfires & Weenie Roasts (Brand New!)
- More Community Hikes

Want to help us plan or just hear the latest details? Mark your calendar for our next meeting on Thursday, November 5th at 9:00 AM in the Resource Room.

Get ready for a fun-filled winter—more details coming soon!

## THE HIGHLANDS TEXAS HOLDEM

This poker group is always open to interested new players. We play three times a week at 2pm for two hours. The buy in is $10 (for finish place prizes) and $2 for the high hand prize. In the summer we currently have up to 9 players and in the winter up to 15. With 15 the payouts are $60, $40, $30, $20 and $30 for high hand. We are a friendly group with lots of laughs and help for new players. If poker has been fun for you in the past, you might want to give us a try. Bob Beck is the organizer. (520-461-9540)

Anyone familiar with **"GREAT DECISIONS"?** We are trying to establish a course here at The Highlands to begin late January 2027, running for 8 topics. See information posted at the hall bulletin board in the clubhouse. For more information call Larry Day at 717-826-1574 or email wlarryday@hotmail or contact Connie Rose.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

### 2026 IS OUR 15TH ANNUAL GOLF CART PARADE

**Sunday, December 6**

Our 15th Annual Golf Cart Christmas Parade is coming up. All are welcome to decorate your Golf Cart, your bicycle, yourself and join us. The parade will start at 4:15pm, so meet at the clubhouse at 4:00pm. After the parade we will meet in the clubhouse for a social event at approximately 5:15pm. **Please bring your own drinks and some snacks to share.** Join us for a sing along led by Linc & Helen Keilman. We will tour the parade route one more time about 6:30. There will be additional night parades to be announced next month. Any Questions call Bill Behrendsen at {916} 798-7733.

**DECEMBER 22:** Coming to a clubhouse near you! Dee Farris-Morelli has made another trip around the sun and is hosting a birthday breakfast that day, combined with the morning coffee.

## COMMUNITY & WHITE ELEPHANT YARD SALES

**February 20th and 27th**

This is your first reminder that it's time to start gathering and putting your "treasures" together for the Community and White Elephant Sales coming in February. You'll be seeing more information in December, January, and February. Mark your calendars. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either of the co-chairs, Steve or Jamie Horst.

## WINE CORKS NEEDED

Please save your wine corks for an upcoming art project. You can put them in a bag under the sign-up sheets in the clubhouse.

## JACKET & CLOTHES DRIVE

This month there's a box on our Clubhouse stage for donations of new and clean used jackets & clothes for the Gospel Rescue Mission. Donations are accepted through November 20.

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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| 11/01 | Paul Gerleman |
| 11/01 | Mont Hartman |
| 11/03 | Janet Reed |
| 11/04 | Claudia Jensen |
| 11/04 | Patty James |
| 11/09 | Karen Molique |
| 11/10 | Don Hall |
| 11/14 | David Armstrong |
| 11/15 | Naomi Osgood |
| 11/15 | George Tanner |
| 11/16 | Barbara Scantlan |
| 11/18 | Colleen Jackson |
| 11/20 | Kathy Garver |
| 11/20 | Kay Morgan |
| 11/20 | Dori Zelin |
| 11/23 | Diane Leigh |
| 11/24 | Yvonne Kuhlman |
| 11/24 | Alan Pennington |
| 11/29 | Donell Forest |
| 11/29 | Jan Hamilton |

## CARDS SENT

Diane Flores - loss of her Mother

Paul Danville - loss of his wife

Sara Gelhaus - loss of her Mother

Myrna Wenaas - loss of her husband, Reggie

Rosie Bussmann - loss of her Sister

Terry Tendler - loss of his Mother

Barbara Scantlan - Thinking of You

*We wish everyone a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving!*



## MARKETPLACE

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

Please email me before our 3rd week of the month's production. Thanks. Connie

*CROSEHIGHLANDS23@GMAIL.COM*

**HAND PAINTED GREETING CARDS:** Original Watercolor art, you don't need to wait for a craft show to purchase them. Call or text me: Patti Triplett at 520-887-4120.

**CREATIVE GIFTS:** has one-of-a-kind handmade gifts. How about an apron created using mens dress shirts!! Or a beautiful design on a favorite denim jacket! Come see her work. Phone or text Sharon Dennis at: 360-708-7247

**FLAN AND NY CHEESECAKE:** Flan: 8x2 round pan $30. NY Cheesecake: 7x3 round pan $30. Available within 48 hrs. A perfect gift for a Thanksgiving dinner party. Call or text me: David Cruz 347-406-2825

**DRYWALL REPAIRS:** Install drywall. Tape, Texture and finish. 44 years experience. Lenny Beyer 847-417-9684

**MEDICAL EQUIPMENT IN LOAN CHEST**
There is a room filled with medical assist equipment. From canes to walkers to transport chairs to - you name it. It's a room in the office/Resource room. See Diane to open during office hours.

**FREE ASH TREE** It is a Texas Ash, approximately 6 ft tall and 1 1/2inch trunk diameter. Still young enough to transplant. Please contact Brenda at: 319-721-4626

## 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.**

**The winter pool hours will start NOV. 15:** opening at 10 am daily, and not unlocked at all if the daytime temperature is not expected to get above 65 degrees. Pool gets locked up at 5 pm after covering it. *We need to renew our request for help in uncovering (10 am) and covering (around 5 pm) the pool.* There will be a sign-up sheet posted in the card room. Please volunteer, especially if you are a pool user. Tony Bettens is researching other pool locking methods when he returns to the Highlands.

**TRASH COLLECTION.** Hughes has been a wonderful, family-owned company to work with. Their contract is every 3 years and comes up for renewal next spring. We would hate to lose them, but might. We are cheating them of their low monthly charge by putting our trash in a neighbor's drive. They know it and report it to Sara. If this is you, this MUST STOP. The fee is low compared to other companies, because it is based on the size of our community. We will discuss other options for trash fee payments (perhaps bundling them with the HOA fees) at the November Board Meeting.

**WASH DUMPING.** It was brought to our attention that 'stuff' (mainly organic - prunings, excess road sand, etc) is being deposited in the main wash (up near the top). NOTHING should be dumped there, brush in particular. Dried yard prunings are too flammable and wildfires are a modern reality. The adjacent homeowners are bringing this to our attention.

**HEAR OR SEE SOMETHING, DO SOMETHING.** CALL 911 ABOUT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY. And remember, be timely, have evidence, and inform Diane when the office is open.

**BOARD ELECTIONS:** REMINDER: We need Board applicants - please commit to helping us run the Highlands. Submit your letter of interest by December 1, 2026. If you have questions or need additional information please contact Chuck Ardingo.

**REMINDER: VACCINE clinic** is Tuesday morning November 10, after morning coffee. Please sign up and take a consent form to bring in with you. This is offered as a convenience. Some have already gotten the flu shot. But, if you want any of the others, please join us. Offered by Safeway Pharmacy, the pharmacist will even go to shut ins that morning - so let us know.

**POOL USE:** We tend to know each other, but it never hurts to greet strangers. They may be new neighbors or unauthorized transpassers. Please be respectful in your communications, no matter who they might be.

# NOVEMBER 2026

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| **1**<br>Bingo 2:00 pm | **2**<br>Cornhole 1:00 pm<br>Poker 5:30 pm | **3**<br>Coffee 8:00am<br>Water Aerobics 10: am<br>Hand & Foot 1:00 pm<br>Texas Hold'em 2: pm | **4**<br>Chair Yoga 11:00 am<br>Poker 5:30 pm | **5**<br>HORAC Meeting 9: am<br>Water Aerobics 10: am<br>Hand & Foot 1:00 pm<br>Texas Hold'em 2: pm | **6**<br>Mahjong 10:00 am<br>Social Hour 4:00 pm | **7**<br>Texas Hold'em 2: pm |
| **8**<br>Bingo 2:00 pm | **9**<br>**Book Club 10:00 am**<br>Cornhole 1:00 pm<br>Food Truck 4:00 pm<br>Clear Country Band 5:00 pm | **10** **VACCINE-9-11**<br>Coffee 8:00am<br>Water Aerobics 10: am<br>Hand & Foot 1:00 pm<br>Texas Hold'em 2: pm | **11** Veterans Day<br>**Men's Breakfast 8:am**<br>Chair Yoga 11:00 am<br>Poker 5:30 pm | **12**<br>Water Aerobics 10: am<br>Hand & Foot 1:00 pm<br>Texas Hold'em 2: pm<br>Bunco 4:00 pm | **13**<br>Mahjong 10:00 am<br>Social Hour 4:00 pm | **14**<br>Coffee Chat 9:00 am<br>Craft Fair 10:00 am<br>Texas Hold'em 2: pm |
| **15**<br>Bingo 2:00 pm | **16**<br>**Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm**<br>Cornhole 1:00 pm<br>Poker 5:30 pm | **17**<br>Coffee 8:00am<br>Water Aerobics 10: am<br>Hand & Foot 1:00 pm<br>Texas Hold'em 2: pm | **18**<br>**Board Meeting 10:am**<br>**Chair Yoga 11:00 am**<br>Poker 5:30 pm | **19**<br>Water Aerobics 10: am<br>Hand & Foot 1:00 pm<br>Texas Hold'em 2: pm | **20**<br>Social Meeting 9:00 an<br>Mahjong 10:00 am<br>Social Hour 4:00 pm | **21**<br>Celebration of Life 3:pr<br>**Texas Hold'em 2: pm** |
| **22**<br>Bingo 2:00 pm | **23**<br>**Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm**<br>Cornhole 1:00 pm<br>Poker 5:30 pm | **24**<br>Coffee 8:00am<br>Water Aerobics 10: am<br>Hand & Foot 1:00 pm<br>Texas Hold'em 2: pm | **25**<br>Chair Yoga 11:00 am<br>Poker 5:30 pm | **26** Thanksgiving<br>Potluck 2:30 | **27**<br>Mahjong 10:00 am<br>Social Hour 4:00 pm | **28**<br>Coffee Chat 9:00 am<br>Texas Hold'em 2: pm |
| **29**<br>Bingo 2:00 pm | **30**<br>**Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm**<br>Cornhole 1:00 pm<br>Poker 5:30 pm | | | | | |

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**December 2026**

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**All Activities Held in the Clubhouse/Pool EXCEPT**

**Green - Resource Room**

**Red - Off Site Activity**