



July 2025 Newsletter

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Helping the Hill Country - COA Code Changes Electric Bikes - Thank Parade Sponsors

Helping People in the Hill Country

The recent floods in the Texas Hill country have captured the attention of the country and this neighborhood. From the beginning, many people here collected donations and delivered them to the assisting group. This work of gracious neighbors to grateful people will continue for many months.

The HOA email group is a good place to keep up with current requests and offers, such as restaurants donating profits from meals. If you have paid the HOA dues, then you can be a member of the email group. Read more about it on our website, which also includes a link to join.

BV/S HOA Email Group

Another source of groups asking for donations is the Link Tree site from our Council Member Laine's website. Maybe you and your neighbors or your block group want to gather supplies. This link is a good place to start with who needs what. Every act of kindness, be it small or large, makes a difference.

Council Member Laine Link Tree

New HOA Members Get a Discount Annual fee reduced to \$26



Are you new to the neighborhood or have you put off joining the HOA? Now is your chance to join at half price.

First time members are eligible to join for \$26 for the remainder of 2025.

Click that button and Join Now!

Electric Bikes

One of the joys of childhood is riding bikes with friends - great exercise and a touch of freedom, too. We've received several questions about electric bikes. According to City Code and State Law, E-bikes fall into the same category as regular bikes - no license required and helmets are required for riders under the age of 18.

Electric bikes fall into three categories based on speed - Class 1 (pedal-assist up to 20 mph), Class 2 (throttle-assisted up to 20 mph), and Class 3 (pedal-assist up to 28 mph, with minimum driver age of 16 years).

Knowing basic street rules and safety is a plus, because some of the drivers (must be people passing through) move pretty fast along streets like Spicewood Parkway.

City Code for Regular and Electric Bike

Watch the Skies

From the middle of July through 24th of August, the Perseids Meteors pay Earth a visit. The peak time in Austin is August 12-13, and as many as 100 meteors will streak across the sky. Recline your deck chair or float in the pool and tune in for that show.

The link goes to the Time and Date website, which allows you to see the details set to our Austin, Texas location.

Perseids Meteor Shower

"On the Road" with Steve Hartman Goes to School

You may know Steve Hartman from his CBS "On the Road" reports that air Friday nights and Sunday mornings. He has won many awards for his reporting of the stories of the kindness and courage of ordinary people. In the last few years, his audience has grown to include school-age children because teachers are showing his stories in their classrooms.

This idea has spread across the country, and now there is a FB group especially for teachers to share their ideas and lessons.

The video linked below is of Steve visiting with a teacher, who begins each day with one of the On the Road Videos. The children enjoy them and connect with the ideas of kindness and courage.

Maybe we know a teacher who already does this or is interested. Maybe our family

might take three minutes to watch one, too.

On the Road Youtube Video

Fourth of July Parade Sponsors Need Our Thanks

Well - Mother Nature stepped in with a wet reply, and we cancelled the Parade - first time in 15 years. Members of the HOA Board put in many hours preparing for the Parade, and special thanks go to our Event Chairperson, Elizabeth Gomez.

Please remember our Sponsors kindly. They donated prizes, give-aways, and games for our event and in support of our wonderful neighborhood.

Caroline Williams, AuD

Texas Mobile Hearing
Audiology and Hearing Aid Services
Donation for new signs and flags

Melissa Stout, GRI, CLHMS

REALTOR® Luxury Property Specialist
Coldwell Banker
Prizes for Best Decorated Golf Carts

Robert Mayfield - Dairy Queen

Gift Coupons

Stroll Magazine

Balcones and Spicewood Village
Tanya Badillo, Publisher
Fun activities at the parade.

Abundance Home Care

Non-medical in home care services
Fun activities at the parade.

Kitchen Tune-Up

Custom Cabinets, Refacing & Remodeling
Fun activities at the parade.

Cupprimo

Specialty Cupcakes & Coffee House
In retail center on Spicewood Springs Road
across from HEB
Gift cards

Pam Cakes Bakery

Specialty cakes to cookies
In retail center at Anderson Mill and US 183
Gift Cards

Cabo Bobs

Fuel for the journey
In retail center on other side of US 183 and
Anderson Mill
Swag Bag

HEB Grocery
Gift Cards

Balcones Country Club

The club that has the most fun
Free round of golf

Austin Ice Bats

Four tickets to 2026 season game

Annual Meeting and Member Appreciation

Sunday Afternoon

November 9, 2025

3:30 - 5:30

Balcones Country Club

Save the Date

July 2025

4	Friday	Fourth of July	Federal, State
14	Monday	BVS HOA Board Mtg	5 PM Spicewood Library **
20	Sunday	Space Exploration Day	

August 2025

11	Monday	BVS HOA Board Mtg	5 PM Spicewood Library **
16	Friday	Tell a Joke Day	
27	Wednesday	LBJ Day	State

**Spicewood Branch of Public Library, 8637 Spicewood Springs Rd.



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