

Holiday Lights

Several neighbors shared lovely memories of driving the neighborhood with loved ones, looking at the lights. There is something very special about these times - your mom riding in a convertible and singing Christmas Carols, or an adult child remembering driving through when she was very young.

It was in the 1980s that Mickey Osteen and Pat Reid got the ball rolling for the street side Christmas Trees. Volunteers went door to door offering live trees and strands of lights delivered to front yards. More volunteers dug the holes and installed the pvc pipes. The trees were delivered the first Saturday in December, and the magical tradition began.

We each have our own thoughts and wishes for this season, and it is inspiring to know that the neighborhood has been a part of the tree and lights tradition for so many years. Perhaps we will make new memories this season.

Another part of our Holiday Lights tradition is to award three "best of show" winners in each subdivision. The awards include a sign in the front yard, a \$50 cash prize, and pictures on the website. This year, the judging is Friday through Sunday (15th-17th), so make sure your lights are shining brightly.



Judges for Light Contest

We do have room for a few more judges. Please send an email by Tuesday, using the link below, to let us know that your family wants to help out this year.

Judging is Friday - Sunday
(15th - 17th).

Photographer for Lights

We need volunteers to take photos of the winners. iPhones and other cameras take great pictures, so please contact us at the email link below.

Email
Link

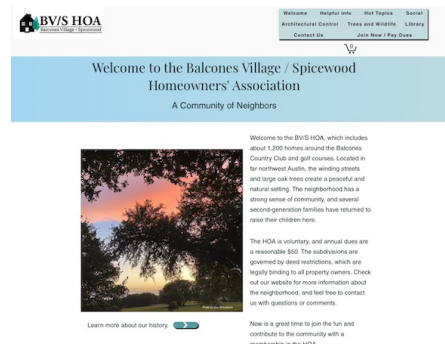
New Website

During the days between Christmas and New Year, we will flip the switch on the new website.

We've been advised by our domain handler that the best way to manage it is to leave the previous version up and running on Weebly while simultaneously changing the new version on Wix to the same address (bvshoa.com). It could take a few days to get settled, and then we will turn off the Weebly site.

If you log in and see the opening page, pictured to the right, then you are in the correct place.

Do you want to help the website team (which is one person right now)? We need someone with a user knowledge of Wix, who can track emails and form submittals, as well as insert new copy.



Email
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If you want to give it a try, send your name via the email link. We can meet and talk it over. Say Yes to this volunteer opportunity!

Forever Young & Always Cool

You know who you are...

The Round Rock ISD Senior Gold Card is available to residents of Round Rock ISD who are age 60 and older, and all retired Round Rock ISD employees. The Senior Gold Card offers the bearer a lifetime of free general admission to all Round Rock ISD events that are open to the public, including: regular season athletic contests and theatre, dance and musical performances.

The Pickfair Community Center has a Varsity program with a variety of activities. Many of us get an email copy of the monthly calendar. The HOA is in contact with the Director to have this calendar posted on their website for easier reference. The December calendar is posted in the *Save the Date* section at the end of this newsletter.

RRISD Gold Card

Pickfair Varsity
Program

Old Lampasas Dam Project

The City of Austin plans a reconstruction of the small dam located off Old Lampasas Trail and across from the PEC substation. It is not visible from the street, but does prevent flooding to several homes, as well as roads and downstream improvements. Construction is planned to start in 2024 and projected to take 16 months.

Recently the City named two potential staging areas for materials and supplies - parkland at corner if Spicewood Springs Road and Old Lampasas Trail and a site at Spicewood Springs Road and Wexford Drive.

You can read the summary with links to Zoom call and presentation [here](#).

Mackenzie Kelly

Our City Council representative, Mackenzie Kelly, has a satellite office in The Crossing Center at 10401 Anderson Mill Road, and is open most Fridays. It is adjacent to Shipley's Donuts at Ohlen and Anderson Mill Roads.

Also, Representative Kelly has a FB Page with frequent postings about current events and regular community meetings.



Facebook
Link

Save The Date

December 2023

BV/S HOA

12/15-17 - Fri - Sun - Holiday Lights Judging

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12/15 - Friday - Teacher Workday

12/18-31 - Winter Break

Pickfair Community Center - Varsity Activities
12/12 - 15 - See [Calendar Link](#)
12/18 - 31 - Winter Break

January 2024

BV/S HOA

1/5 - Tues - Board Meeting - 5 PM at BCC

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1/1 - 2 - Mon - Tues - Winter Break

1/3 - Wed - Staff Development

1/4 - Thurs - Classes Start

Pickfair Community Center - Varsity Activities

TBD



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