

# 2019 - Fall "Holiday" Edition

# Fall (and the Holidays) Are Here!!!

Fall is here and with it, cooler weather has arrived!!! Crisp nights, clear blue-sky days, everyone busy preparing for Winter and the Holidays, changing leaves and far less lake traffic are some of the noticeable differences in our community. Lots of great stuff going on in and around Buena Vista... read on to get caught up on the latest news. What a great time of year to enjoy our beautiful community in the Heart of the Texas Hill Country!!!

## Fall Community Picnic Recap

Thanks to all who participated in the Fall Community Picnic on Saturday, October 5 this year! It was great to see everyone and spend time with neighbors. A special thanks to Tate Johnson for cooking the BBQ, Lynn Hughes for coordinating picnic supplies and all the delicious side dishes everyone prepared. Sharon Barclay provided an update on the Entrance Project (see "Spotlight" section).

## **Buena Vista POA – Fall Board Meeting**

The Buena Vista POA Board met Sunday, November 3 Following were the topics of discussion:

## PEC Power Upgrades in Buena Vista

See Page 2 of this Newsletter for details

### **Buena Vista Bylaw Revisions**

Proposed Changes were reviewed and will be vetted with Legal. Proposed changes will be published to members 30 days prior to the 2020 Annual Meeting. Voting will occur at the Annual Meeting by members who are present.

### **Revenue Generation Committee**

The Revenue Generation Committee vetted ideas and determined the Buena Vista Board will remain focused on the Entrance Committee through completion this year.

Future projects will be considered as needs arise.

## **Buena Vista Water System**

See Page 2 of this Newsletter for details

### Financial Update

Financial Summary provided by Treasurer

## Parks Update

Discussions were held to determine the best approach to park security including access, park rules and limitations for POA members, non-members, guests and trespassers. The Board finalized decisions and will provide details which will be included in the Annual Dues mailing.

### Winter Board Meeting

The Buena Vista POA Board will meet January 25, 2020

# "Spotlight" On 2019

## **Buena Vista Entrance Update**

The Buena Vista POA Board voted to fully fund the Buena Vista Entrance Project in 2019.

Sharon Barclay, Entrance Committee Chair provided an update at the Fall Picnic and a sign-up sheet for POA Members to donate to the "<u>Adopt-A-Plant</u>" Fund. The Fund is being used to landscape both sides of the Buena Vista Entrance. Many thanks to the following POA

, Members who have already donated:

Leonard	Mark & Sharon Barclay
Karen B & Gerry H	Jerry & Charlotte Hohensee
Nelson & Carla Nagle	John & Caroline Upchurch
Tim Hightower	Tim & Carleanne Tognetty
Scott Gilmore	David & Doris Glasscock
Jo Ann Donnelly	Gayle Anderwald

There is still time to donate to the "<u>Adopt-A-Plant</u>" Fund! If you wish to donate, contact Sharon Barclay at: <u>Sharon@BarclayFamily.org</u>

### Phase 1 –Complete!!!

Concrete curbs, removing asphalt and dirt, installing railroad ties for exterior border and moving mailboxes

#### Phase 2 – Nearing Completion !!!

Buena Vista Community Sign and Lighting Phase 3

Xeriscape plants, additional landscaping such as rock, mulch and decorative elements

Phase 4

County will resurface road with chip-and-seal asphalt

## **Buena Vista POA Board Priorities Update**

Quarterly Newsletters – Published Spring, Summer & Fall Entrance Project – Great Progress So Far in 2019 Connecting & Outreach with Your Community – See "Inks Lake News" on Page 2 of this Newsletter for details. Aligning & Collaborating with other Inks Lake POAs – Outreach has begun, more info to come Winter 2020 Saving You Money –Property Tax @ CutMyTaxes.com Negotiated \$25/Month Trash Service w/RTS Specialty Svcs

# **Buena Vista Community T-Shirts**

Our Community T-Shirts have been a great success thus far! There are still a few shirts available... email <u>bvpoacom@yahoo.com</u> to reserve yours today! Proceeds benefit the Community Entrance Project.

# **Inks Lake News**

## State Park Boat Ramp

The Inks Lake State Park Boat Ramp is still under construction... completion is expected by early Winter.

## The Inks Lake Complex Public Use Plan

Attached to the Fall Newsletter Email is a PDF of the Inks Complex Golf Course Area Proposed Plan for reference. Details on Date, Time & Location of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and Final Public Comment Meeting for the Inks Lake Complex Public Use Plan are as follows:

- Date: December 12, 2019
- Time: 6:30 PM 8:30 PM
- Location: City of Burnet Community Center 401 East Jackson Street Burnet, TX 78611

## Inks Lake Boat Parade & Bridge Lighting

Gather your Family & Friends and participate in the Annual Inks Lake Christmas Boat Parade & Bridge Lighting! This is a great event for all ages!

- Date: Saturday, December 7, 2019
- Event Times:
  - 5:47 PM Boats depart Inks Lake Village (near Inks Dam) and head to Rock-a-Way Park. Feel free to join in along the way if you don't get to Inks Dam in time
  - 6:17 PM Fireworks and Bridge Lighting at Hwy 29 Bridge
  - **Dinner** Immediately Following at The Catfish Barge
- Please RSVP if you will have a boat in the parade and/or you plan to join for dinner:
  - o robby@camplonghorn.com
  - o Call: 512-793-2811

# Buena Vista Christmas Party / Open House

You are Merrily invited to the Buena Vista Christmas Party / Open House hosted by Bill and Julie Woolsey!

 Date:
 Saturday, December 14

 Time:
 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

 Location:
 100 CR 139A (a.k.a. Vista Verde)

Please bring a party food, savory or sweet to share. The Woolsey's will provide drinks, tableware and a few things to eat. Come dressed in Festive Christmas Attire!!! RSVP (adults only please) to: Bill: 713-854-3983 Julie: 713-854-7228 We look forward to celebrating Christmas with you!

# <u>Buena Vista News</u>

# Water System Update

Our water system is under contract to be sold to Central States Water Resources in Missouri. They are a company buying and improving smaller water districts like ours. If the sale is finalized, Central States will have to adhere to the state water guidelines, especially regarding quality of water and pressure of the water supply. There are several steps before the sale will be completed including:

- The court must approve moving forward with the contract.
- The Public Utility Commission (PUC) must approve the potential buyer, determining if Central States has the financial resources, the expertise, and the managerial ability to improve and maintain the system.
- The court must then approve the final sale.
- When the PUC is evaluating the buyer, if 51% of the customers are against the sale, then public hearings can take place.

Overall the process from now until new owner is in place will take 9-12 months. We have been assured that the contract is written in such a way that Central States cannot back out like Corix did in the last sale attempt. The only way the sale will not finalize is if the governmental authorities do not approve the sale. We will keep you up to date as the sale process unfolds.

# PEC Upgrades Occurring in Buena Vista

Pedernales Electric Cooperative (PEC) is currently in the process of rebuilding our overhead electric lines throughout the Buena Vista Neighborhood. All work and restoration will be the responsibility of PEC with no cost to you. PEC is performing this work to help improve reliability throughout Buena Vista Neighborhood. Design and construction for this project will be completed in stages over the next couple of years. PEC work will include replacing poles and transferring all overhead and underground services from the old poles to the new ones. Locates will be called prior to any digging, but PEC will need property owners to locate any private owned facilities that are not part of diggers hotline. There will be a brief power outage while PEC transfers services from the old lines to the new ones. You will be contacted prior to the scheduled outage so you can plan accordingly. If you have any questions or concerns about the project please call Brad Noack at 830-454-3520.

# HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE!!!

Kind Regards. 7im Hightower – BVP0A President