#### **Annual Meeting and Vacancy Information**

Nov/Dec 2020



The Annual Meeting of the Tahitian Village Property Owners Association has been scheduled for February 6, 2021 at 1:00 pm at Hampton Inn. In addition to annual reports and speakers, Tahitian Village will also need to hold elections for positions on both the POA Board of Directors and the Architectural Control Committee. Terms will expire for places three, five and six on the POA Board of Directors and two of the positions on the ACC will expire.

Directors serve for two years on the POA. The POA Board meets once a month on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. and at the Annual Meeting of the property owners. There are events throughout the year which may require your attendance but usually no more than two and many events that you will have the opportunity to attend voluntarily.

Architectural Control Committee members serve for three years. The Committee meets once monthly on the first Monday at 5:30 p.m. Committee members may be asked to attend additional meetings to work on Building Guideline revisions. Some Committee members voluntarily tour the construction sites weekly with the Association Manager and all Committee members must occasionally be available to review applications in the Manager's office.

If you are interested in serving your community in this capacity, the deadline for candidate registration is December 11, 2020. All candidates will be vetted by the Election Committee. Candidates must be Members in Good Standing, as described in Article Five of the Certificate of Formation (formerly known as Articles of Incorporation) and all candidates must be property owners in Tahitian Village. All candidates must be vetted even if no election is needed. An election is not required if the number of candidates is equal to the number of vacant positions.

Candidates must provide the following information by the registration deadline:

- 1. A completed Candidate Member Profile
- 2. Proof of Ownership in Tahitian Village (a copy of your property deed)
- 3. A brief biography

4. A completed Petition for Support (signature must match what is shown on deed)

- 5. Texas DPS Criminal History Record (can be obtained at:
- https://records.txdps.state.tx.us/DpsWebsite/CriminalHistory/

Please contact the office to acquire the Candidate Member Profile and Petition for Support documents. Property owners who are not sure about the commitment of serving are encouraged to call the office. I would love to sit down and go over the duties and responsibilities of serving the community. Anyone wishing to run for a position on the Board or Committee must register by end of the business day on December 11, 2020.



#### Tahitian Village Calendar of Events

## November 2020

Nov 2—Tahitian Village Architectural Control Committee Meeting @ 5:30 PM Nov 9 & 23 —Bastrop County Commissioners Court Meeting at 9:00 AM @ Courthouse Nov 10 & 24 —Bastrop City Council Meeting at 6:30 PM @ City Hall Nov 17 —Tahitian Village Property Owners Association Meeting @ 7:00 PM Nov 19 —BCWCID #2 Water Board Meeting at 6:30 @ Bastrop Convention Center

### December 2020

Dec 7—Tahitian Village Architectural Control Committee Meeting @ 5:30 PM Dec 8 & 22—Bastrop City Council Meeting at 6:30 PM @ Bastrop Convention Center Dec 14 & 28— Bastrop County Commissioners Court Meeting at 9:00 AM @ Courthouse Dec 15—Tahitian Village Property Owners Association Meeting @ 7:00 PM Dec 17—BCWCID #2 Water Board Meeting at 6:30 @ Bastrop Convention Center

\*\*\*\*NEW MEETING LOCATION UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE\*\*\*\* ALL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT Bastrop Fire Dept 2 LOCATED AT 120 CORPORATE DRIVE, BASTROP, TEXAS

\*\*Follow up with each entity to ensure no change has been made to any meeting date/time or place due to the COVID-19.

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- Donations for the Animal Shelter and Animal Rescue are still being accepted at the POA office.
- If you call to report a violation, please leave your name and number in case further information is needed. This information is confidential and will not be shared. If you prefer violations can also be reported on the website, www.tahitianvillagepoa.com.

#### Tahitian Village Neighborhood News Network (TVNNN) -Notice to Tahitian Village Residents:

In an effort to provide you quick and easy access to information important to you as a resident of our beautiful Tahitian Village, we would like to add you to the new TVNNN email list. You can do this by emailing our office staff at info@tahitianvillagepoa.com or filling out this form and turning it in or mailing it to the TVPOA office.

This list is also vital in distributing information about political and TVPOA. TVACC & BCWCID #2 Board candidates, missing/found pets and unfortunately, vandalism and burglaries. Please help us keep you informed by providing the following information (by doing so, you will automatically be added to the TVNNN e-mail list):

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PHONE:

E-MAIL ADDRESS:

Thanks for your support and interest in our beautiful neighborhood!

NOTE: Please do not resubmit your information if you have already turned this in from a previous issue

#### **Need Help Preventing More Puppies & Kittens?**

#### Bastrop County Animal Shelter Helpers has a program to <u>help low-income residents of Bastrop County pay for spay or neuter</u> <u>surgery</u> for their pets.

This program is intended for responsible pet owners in financial need who cannot afford surgery. For example, individuals who are unemployed, on public assistance, or who have low-paying jobs.

Applicants need to be able to provide proof of Bastrop County residency.



En la foto está Paquita, juna de las beneficiarias recientes del programa!

¿Necesita ayuda para prevenir más cachorros y gatitos?

Bastrop County Animal Shelter Helpers tiene un programa para ayudar a los residentes de bajos ingresos del condado de Bastrop a pagar la cirugía de esterilización o castración de sus mascotas.

Este programa está destinado a dueños de mascotas responsables con necesidades financieras que no pueden pagar la cirugía. Por ejemplo, personas que están desempleadas, que reciben asistencia pública o que tienen trabajos de bajos ingresos.

Los solicitantes deben poder presentar prueba de residencia en el condado de Bastrop.

#### TO APPLY:

Pictured is Paquita, one of

the recent beneficiaries of

the program!

Visit our website at https:// bcashelpers.org Or point your phone camera at this code to go straight to the application online! Spay/Neuter services are provided in Bastrop County by our charity partners, Save An Angel and Emancipet. Find us on Facebook @

www.facebook.com/BCASHelpers!

We are unable to issue certificates to other organizations, only to individuals.



#### Para APLICAR:

Visite nuestro sitio web en https:// www.bcashelpers.org o escanea el código QR Nuestros socios de caridad brindan servicios de esterilización / castración en el condado de Bastrop, Save An Angel y Emancipet. Encuéntranos en Facebook @ www.facebook.com/BCASHelpers!

No podemos dar certificados a otras organizaciones, solo a individuos.

# FREE RABIES IN VACCINE CLINIC

\$5 MICROCHIPS + PET FOOD PANTRY + SPAY/NEUTER COUPONS

# Sunday, November 8th 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

ARRIVE EARLY, EXPECT A WAIT! DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH. CATS MUST BE IN A CARRIER.



SAVE AN ANGEL'S LOW COST SPAY & NEUTER CLINIC 589 COOL WATER DRIVE, BASTROP, TX 78602

VACCINES AND SERVICES PROVIDED BY A LICENSED VETERINARIAN CONTRACTED BY EAVE-ON-ANIAS

#### IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:







## Annual Holiday Contest

The Tahitian Village Property Owners Association (TVPOA) is sponsoring the

Annual Holiday Decorating Contest. Registration for the Contest opens on November 23rd and there is no registration fee. Any resident of Tahitian Village who would like to participate in the contest must register with the TVPOA office by close of business on December 11th. All you have to do to register is contact the TVPOA office and tell them you would like to register.

We will need your name, a contact phone number and email address (if applicable) and your physical address. This year we are asking residents to also pick a category for judging.

There will be First, Second and Third place prizes awarded in three categories. All winners will receive cash prizes.

The categories are:

- Lights Only
- Animated
- Scenes

Winners will be announced at the regular POA meeting in January.

Volunteers are needed for judging. If you aren't into decorating but love to see the holiday decorations, then feel free to sign up to be a judge. This year the judging will be done from December 14th-18th. Ballots and maps are provided to the judges. Contestants may not volunteer to judge.

If you would like to be a judge, contact the office and volunteer by December 4th.

If you are decorating your home anyway, we encourage you to register. If your neighbors are decorating, encourage them to register as well. The map of homes will be available to anyone wishing to drive through Tahitian Village.

For more information, please contact our office at 512-321-1145 or email us at info@tahitianvillagepoa.com.



Dear Friends,

The deadline for TreeFolks free pine delivery service is November 15th, 2020. Apply online at www.treefolks.org/pines.

TreeFolks has worked in partnership with Bastrop County since the 2011 wildfires, to reforest the Lost Pines ecoregion. Since 2011, TreeFolks has planted over 2 million pines in Bastrop County and has distributed another 50,000 in the form of deliveries and giveaway events. This season, we will distribute another 25,000 pines to Bastrop County residents through delivery services! We will perform no-contact deliveries during the first three weeks of December this season, in order to keep our staff and all of you safe during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Each box contains 50 pines. If you do not have enough space on your property to plant all of them, please make arrangements with your friends and neighbors to share a box.

TreeFolks is a 501c3 nonprofit and this project is sponsored in part by Bastrop County. To support this project and your local pine forest, Text 'PINES' to 512-488-4846

Best,

Valerie Tamburri Reforestation Coordinator (512) 443-LEAF office

# FREE PINES!

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Loblolly sapling delivery for Lost Pines Region residents!

# treefolks.org/pines

TREEFOLKS

Deadline to apply 11/15/20

#### East of Plum Creek By Larry Gfeller

Some waterways make their own history. The San Marcos River separates Caldwell and Guadalupe Counties, but much of southern Caldwell County is located in the Guadalupe River Basin, a watershed drained primarily by Plum Creek and its tributaries. This creek, however, has bigger claims to fame. Just east of Plum Creek today stands an historic marker on State Highway 20 outside Lockhart. It marks the location of the old cabin of Isham Good, one of only two Republic of Texas homesteaders in the 1840's who were brave enough to settle in this once remote area of central Texas.

These were days of desperation and isolation, when roads were little more than sunbaked cattle trails and neighbors lived miles apart; yet it was Good's cabin where militiamen, Texas Rangers, soldiers from the Republic of Texas and assorted Tonkawa Indians gathered to end the 100-year reign of Comanche dominance in south central Texas. The coup-de-gras occurred at Kelly Springs, several hundred yards outside of what is now the front entrance to Lockhart State Park.

The conflict, depending on from which perspective it is told, goes by two names: to the Comanches, it was the Great Comanche Raid; Texans refer to it as the Battle of Plum Creek.

As settlers encroached on traditional Comanche hunting grounds, armed conflict in the area was already at a high level. After being humiliated by the summary execution of 33 Comanche chiefs in San Antonio, along with two dozen of their family and followers at what came to be known as the Council House Fight in March 1840, the Comanches launched the largest Indian attack on white settlers in the history of our country.

By August the Penateka Comanches were able to accept the leadership of their remaining chief, Buffalo Hump, who led a formidable retaliatory force out of Comancheria, slicing down through the Guadalupe valley all the way to the coast of Texas.

Altogether the raiding party comprised some 1,000 souls, including camp followers. Actual Comanche warriors probably were between 400 and 500, although some argue the figure was higher. A good number of Kiowas and Mexican guides rode along. There is evidence that this raid also was part of a scheme among Mexican Centralists to punish the citizens of Victoria and Linnville for providing Mexican Federalists a port and site for the short-lived provisional government of the Republic of the Rio Grande. Regardless, this was a massive force designed to kick some serious butt. It would not disappoint. Astounding it was that a force this large could infiltrate south Texas relatively unseen, but, except for a few farms attacked along the way, that's what happened.

The raiding party followed Plum Creek, which provided cover, and moved east and south of Gonzales. Although the Texas rangers had discovered the tracks of the huge war party, some of the warriors broke off from the main body on August 6th and attacked Victoria before the citizens could be warned.

The Comanches then moved largely undetected to the small town of Linnville, Texas, which was the second largest port in the Republic of Texas at the time. Early on August 8th, 1840 the Comanches surrounded the small port and began an extended rampage of pillaging and burning the stores and homes. Linnville, which is now a ghost town, is located 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  miles northeast of present-day Port Lavaca.

The sacking of Linnville was both a stunning victory for the Comanches and the eventual determinant of their fate. For three days the Indians ravaged and celebrated while survivors watched from the safety of boats off the Gulf of Mexico.

Overstuffed warehouses full of dry goods were looted and burned. The Indians became giddy gorging on brightly colored ribbon, bolts of cloth, frockcoats, top hats, brass buttons, parasols, mirrors and other extravagances. There was even an undisclosed amount of silver bullion taken. War chiefs swaddled themselves in shiny trinkets and fancy accoutrements. To the Comanche, the spoils of war were an entitlement—and they loaded up every horse, every pack mule, every conveyance to the hilt!

Sated in every way, Buffalo Hump eventually called for the return ride to Comancheria. The Indian procession struggled under its burden of contraband, prisoners and stolen livestock. It looked like a gaudy, slow-moving and ponderous Mardi Gras parade! Meanwhile, riders were galloping all over central Texas spreading news of the raid and seeking volunteers to confront the marauders.

Further west, veteran frontier leaders like Matthew "Old Paint" Caldwell and Ben McCulloch were busy gathering the scattered volunteers at the cabin of Isham Good. The Texans organized a volunteer army under Republic of Texas general Felix Huston and hid them all along Plum Creek.

As the Comanches approached the Texas positions along the creek, Caldwell pleaded with Huston to make a surprise attack. Just as the general was to reach a decision, a courier arrived from Bastrop with word that Colonel Burleson was on his way with nearly a hundred more men. Huston decided to wait for Burleson. By the time Burleson and his men rode in nearly two hours later, only the rear guard of the distended war party remained. The Comanche were known as deadly horse cavalrymen, striking quickly and disappearing like vapor into the plains. They were not accustomed to slow and deliberate maneuvering and did not shy away from a knock-down, drag out slug fest when their numbers were superior. Yet, when the Texans finally attacked, the Comanche fought a rear guard delaying action, trying to get away while protecting their plunder. The battle of Plum Creek was really a proverbial running gun battle.

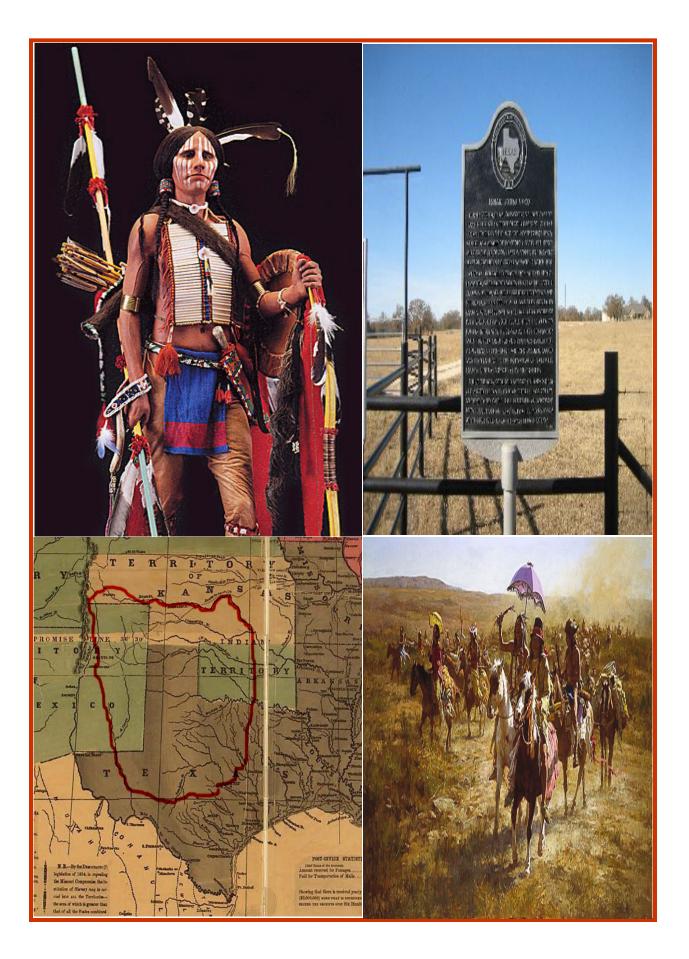
The battle raged for miles, across and through what was to become the city of Lockhart until the Indians found tree cover at Kelly Springs and turned to face their pursuers directly. As the sun was dying in the apricot sky, one Comanche war chief boldly rode his charger out onto the field of battle to challenge the Texans to individual combat. Like a scene out of some Indiana Jones movie, a shot rang out from an unknown militia marksman, knocking the war chief off the back of his horse—stone cold dead in the dust.

Unfortunately for the Comanches, the untimely death of the war chief had ripped the fighting heart out of the warriors and the day quickly became a massacre rather than a battle. The Comanche struggled to get away with what they could as casualties mounted. Then an odd thing happened. When the militia discovered the stolen bullion, discipline gave way to greed. The Texans abandoned the fight, divided the loot and went home ... allowing the Comanches to disappear into the hills ... like vapor!

After the hostilities, more than eighty Comanche dead lay strewn along the fifteen mile battlefield. This was a serious defeat. Only one Texan was killed in the fighting, however the white prisoners weren't as lucky. Many of them were put to death before they could be rescued.

There is meaning in old places; we just need to stop and appreciate it.

If you gaze on Plum Creek today, it looks as deceptively quiet and secretive as it did in 1840. If you stand out by the Lockhart State Park entrance today and look to the northeast, just beyond the farmhouses and CCC relics, you can see the famous tree line. With your imagination, it all unspools in slow motion. You can also see the open field of battle where the reign of terror ended for south central Texas. This was the tipping point. It would only be a matter of time before the end of an era—the greatest warriors to ever ride the Great Plains would never raid this part of Texas again.







This is Bob and Sally.

Instead of completing another 1,000 piece jigsaw puzzle, Sally picked up the phone and signed them

up to be CASA Volunteers.

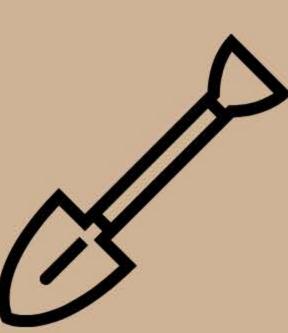
Bob and Sally are making a difference for children in our communities.

Be like Bob and Sally.

Want to learn more about our CASA Couples? Call 512.409.0771 today!

# Updates at the Colorado River Refuge

www.pplt.org



# Volunteer

1st Saturday Service Days are back on! If you would like to volunteer to keep the trails and the CRR looking great please sign up for an upcoming service day at www.pplt.org/events.

> Next dates: November 7th December 5th

AND TRUST

# A 300% Increase in Visitation!

With the arrival of the coronavirus came an incredible increase in visitation at the CRR! There are a few urgent needs Pines and Prairies Land Trust need to fund to keep up with the new hikers and river lovers:

- 1. Increased trash pick up service
- 2. More signs in and leading to, the preserve
- 3. Boundary signs to protect sensitive habitat and neighbors' privacy

Please make a donation today to help Pines and Prairies Land Trust (a 501c3 nonprofit) make the CRR safe and welcoming! https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/needsatthecrr



# Survey work

Volunteer surveyors are still surveying the Colorado River Refuge. Please be courteous to the volunteers if you see them.

#### **General Information**

Tahitian Village Property Owners Assn/Tahitian Village Architectural Control Committee 106 Conference Drive Suite B, P O Box 636, Bastrop, Texas 78602 Phone 512.321.1145 email: info@tahitianvillagepoa.com Website: www.tahitianvillagepoa.com ACC meets the first Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. Open to the public POA meets the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Open to the public Bastrop County Water Control & Improvement District #2 (BCWCID #2) 106 Conference Drive, P O Box 708, Bastrop, Texas 78602 Phone 512.321.1688 website: www.bcwcid2.org Meetings held the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. – Open to the public **Pines & Prairies Land Trust** 1018 Main Street, Suite B, Bastrop, Texas 78602 Phone 512-308-1911 website: www.pinesandprairieslandtrust.org Email: info@pplt.org **Pine Forest Golf Club** 636 Riverside Drive, Bastrop, Texas 78602 Phone 512.321.1181 website: www.pineforestgolfclub.com **Bastrop County Animal Shelter** 589 Cool Water Drive, Bastrop, Texas 78602 Phone 512.549.5160 website: www.co.bastrop.tx.us/site/content/animalcontrol Bastrop County Sheriff's Department - 512.549.5100 **Bastrop County Sheriff's anonymous line - 512-549-5003** Bastrop County Precinct 1 - 512-332-7295

For tree trimming around Bluebonnet utility poles, please contact Bluebonnet Electric at 800-842-7708 or go to their website at https:// www.bluebonnetelectric.coop/Residential/Overview **TVPOA Violation Information** 

September/October 2020

Unit:	Violation:	Action:	Date of Action:	Status:
1	unpermitted retaining wall	1st letter	9.1.2020	resolved
1	vehicle on blocks	1st letter	9.12020	resolved
1	broken down vehicle	1st letter	9.1.2020	resolved
1	t-post fence & sign	1st letter	9.25.2020	unresolved
1	trash in yard	2nd letter	9.25.2020	unresolved
1	unpermitted concrete	1st letter	10.16.2020	resolved
1	trash in yard	1st letter	10.16.2020	resolved
2	unpermitted concrete	1st letter	9.1.2020	resolved
2	unpermitted fence	1st letter	9.1.2020	resolved
2	abandoned vehicle	2nd letter	9.1.2020	resolved
2	unpermitted fence	1st letter	9.23.2020	unresolved
2	household items in yard	1st letter	10.7.2020	resolved
2	household items at street	1st letter	10.7.2020	resolved
2	unpermitted fence	1st letter	10.7.2020	resolved
2	unpermitted fence	1st letter	10.23.2020	unresolved
2	unpermitted construction	1st letter	10.23.2020	unresolved
3	unpermitted shed	1st letter	9.1.2020	resolved
3	abandoned vehicle	1st letter	9.20.2020	unresolved
3	unpermitted fence	1st letter	9.20.2020	unresolved
3	unpermitted fence	1st letter	10.15.2020	unresolved
3	unpermitted construction	1st letter	10.15.2020	unresolved
3	unpermitted fence	1st letter	10.15.2020	unresolved
3	temporary fence	1st letter	10.15.2020	resolved
3	unpermitted fence	1st letter	10.15.2020	unresolved
3	household items in yard	1st letter	10.23.2020	unresolved
4	unpermitted fence	1st letter	9.1.2020	resolved
4	unpermitted concrete	1st letter	9.1.2020	resolved
4	unpermitted retaining wall	1st letter	9.1.2020	resolved
4	trash in yard	1st letter	9.23.2020	unresolved
4	household items in street	1st letter	10.15.2020	resolved
4	mow	1st letter	10.15.2020	resolved
5	unpermitted fence	1st letter	9.3.2020	resolved
5	construction items in yard	1st letter	9.25.2020	unresolved
5	construction material in driveway	1st letter	9.25.2020	unresolved
5	abandoned vehicle	2nd letter	9.1.2020	resolved
5	construction trash in yard	2nd letter	9.1.2020	resolved
5	unpermitted deck	1st letter	9.25.2020	unresolved
5	unpermitted shed	1st letter	9.25.2020	unresolved
5	unpermitted construction	1st letter	9.1.2020	unresolved
5	unpermitted fence/ deck	1st letter	9.25.2020	unresolved
5	unpermitted fence	1st letter	10.15.2020	unresolved
5	unpermitted fence	1st letter	10.15.2020	unresolved
5	unpermitted fence	1st letter	10.19.2020	unresolved
5	unpermitted deck	1st letter	10.23.2020	unresolved
5	unpermitted shed	1st letter	10.23.2020	unresolved
5	abandoned vehicle	1st letter	10.19.2020	unresolved
5	unpermitted deck	1st letter	10.19.2020	unresolved
5	pallets in yard	1st letter	10.23.2020	unresolved
5	construction items in yard	1st letter	10.23.2020	unresolved