The Tahitian Village Property Owners' Association

The Pine Post

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Jan. 1	Office closed for New Year's Day
Jan. 13	Bastrop County Commissioners' Court at 9:00
Jan. 14	Bastrop City Council Meeting-6:30
Jan. 16	BCWCID#2 Meeting at 6:30
Jan. 18	Clean Sweep
Jan. 20th	Office closed for MLK, Jr. Day
Jan. 21	Tahitian Village Property Owners' Association meeting at 7:00 pm
Jan. 25	Annual Meeting at 10:00 am
Jan. 27	Bastrop County Commissioners' Court at 9:00
Jan. 28	Bastrop City Council Meeting at 6:30

Feb. 3	Tahitian Village Architectural Control Committee meeting at 5:30
Feb. 10	Bastrop County Commissioners' Court at 9:00
Feb. 11	Bastrop City Council Meeting-6:30
Feb. 17	Office closed for President's Day
Feb. 18	Tahitian Village Property Owners' Association meeting at 7:00 pm
Feb. 20	BCWCID#2 Meeting at 6:30
Feb. 24	Bastrop County Commissioners' Court at 9:00
Feb. 25	Bastrop City Council Meeting-6:30

TAHITIAN VILLAGE ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE



YOU'RE INVITED

The Annual Meeting of the Tahitian Village Property Owners' Association is scheduled for Saturday, January 25th at 10:00 am at the First United Methodist Church located at 1201 Main Street Bastrop, TX

A Message from the POA President



Happy New Year, Villagers!

We hope all of you had a safe and happy holiday season surrounded by those you love, and enjoying all of the traditions you hold dear.

In hindsight 2024 was a busy year for your POA. We hosted the 2024 Annual Meeting, provided quarterly Clean Sweep events, the first ever High School Scholarship Program, a National Night Out event, the first ever Holiday Arts & Crafts Show, and the annual Holiday Lighting Contest!

In the coming year we are excited to start a new program to help U.S. Veterans in Tahitian Village get wheelchair ramps (details in this newsletter) along with all of the events and programs we provided in 2024. We are also happy to report that we are applying to become a designated Purple Heart Community.

With all that said, "It truly takes a Village!" We hope each of you will consider serving on a Board or Committee, or that you will make time to volunteer at an event. We need new energy, enthusiasm, ideas and plain old muscle! Your hard-work, dedication and commitment to our Village will help ensure our continued success for years to come.

Best wishes for a year filled with health & happiness - joy and laughter! Hope to see you all at the Annual Meeting on Saturday, January 25th!

Charles Brading,

POA President



Do you enjoy our Newsletter?

Please refer a neighbor! Ask them to email the office at info@TahitianVillage.org and request to be added to the email distribution list.







NEIGHBOR SPOTLIGHT...

Ray Logan was the 2nd place winner in our National Night Out Baking Contest with his decadent Southern Style Bananas Split Cake. You may remember that he and his wife, Laurie, had a side bet to see which of their desserts would win! Ray's banana split cake edged out her peach cake with coconut icing. All's fair in love and baking, right?

Ray and Laurie moved to Tahitian Village in 2020—the dreaded Covid year, but didn't let that stop them from settling in and making the Village their home.



Ray has been a registered architect in the State of Texas for over 40 years working on projects from \$200k backyards to 6-story high rises. Currently, he has a barndominium under construction and has just completed a commercial project in Gonzales.

When not baking, you can find Ray enjoying sports, hunting, fishing or making his famous grilled salmon. Or, you might have seen him and Laurie at the Tahitian Village Arts & Craft show, once again challenging each other with their respective crafts! All's fair in love and crafts, right?

Southern Style Banana Split Cake

By Ray Logan

2 Cups graham cracker crumbs	4 bananas (sliced)
3/4 Cup white sugar	1 (15 oz) can crushed pineapple (drained)
1 Stick butter (melted)	1 (16 oz) container Cool Whip (thawed)
2 (8 oz) packages cream cheese	1 (16 oz) jar maraschino cherries (drained)
1 1/2 Cups confectioners sugar	1 Cup pecans (chopped)

- 1. Combine the graham cracker crumbs, white sugar and melted butter. Mix together and press into a 9 x 13" cake pan, then refrigerate until chilled.
- 2. Beat together the cream cheese and confectioners sugar, and spread over the graham cracker crust.
- 3. Layer bananas and pineapple over the cream cheese mixture, then cover the fruit with Cool Whip.
- 4. Top with cherries and chopped pecans—refrigerate and serve chilled. ENJOY!

News from the

Architectural Control Committee President

Hello Neighbors,

As you enjoy the warmth of your home this winter and look out over your yard it's a great time to plan those great Spring and Summer projects. Maybe you need a storage shed for all those storage containers of Christmas decorations, a detached garage to work on that antique car you've been meaning to fix up, or maybe the family needs a pool or outdoor kitchen!

Whatever project you decide to tackle, we hope that your first call will be to the Tahitian Village ACC office at 512-321-1145 to talk to a member of our staff about the CC&Rs and Building Guidelines that will shape your project. They will also be able to point you to either Bastrop County or the City of Bastrop to get their permits, and of course assist you with applying for a Tahitian Village building permit.

Please remember that we are here to help. By obtaining your necessary permits before your projects begins will ensure that your project meets all the governing rules and regulations and will save you time, money and headaches in the long run.



Best of luck with your projects,

Greg Stigall,

Recommend a Neighbor!

We want to know about all of the positive, uplifting and fun things going on in the Village!

Do you know someone in the Village that is making a difference in our community? Someone that volunteers their time and talents? Someone that has an interesting job or hobby?

Please share their name and story with us so we can highlight them in our next "Neighbor Spotlight".

Email us at *info@TahitianVillage.org* and give us the details and then we will do the rest.

SHARE THE LOVE

Because it truly takes a village, we hope you will *"Share the Love"* with our neighbors in Bastrop County by donating to The Bastrop County Emergency Food Pantry to help eliminate food insecurity in Bastrop County where 10,535 people endure hunger daily. If you and your family had a wonderful Christmas with plenty of food and gifts, please take the time now to share your love with those less fortunate.

All types of shelf-stable items are needed:

Canned - fruits, vegetables, soups & meats (pull-top cans are particularly needed)

all variety of breakfast cereals (cold and hot)

dried/instant potatoes, macaroni & cheese, rice, pasta and nuts

single serve snacks of all types including applesauce, fruit cups,

peanut butter crackers, granola bars, etc.

Donations will be accepted at the following:

- Tahitian Village POA office located at 112 Corporate Lane (northeast corner of the building) between now and February 14th (Monday - Friday 8 to 5)
- Clean Sweep on Saturday, January 18th from 8:00 am to noon
- ACC meetings on January 6th and February 3rd
- POA meeting on January 21st
- Property Owners' Association Annual Meeting on January 25th







Volunteers ARE NEEDED!

Saturday, January 18, 2025 from 8:00-12:00 p.m.



Located in the Water District / Tahitian Village POA parking lot at 112 Corporate Drive. (please enter from Park Lane and exit on Corporate Dr.)

This event is for Tahitian Village and Pine Forest residents only. Please be prepared to show proof of residency such as a driver's license or a bill showing your address.

Now is the time to get rid of any household items, debris, etc... that you no longer want!

Tires will have a \$4 per tire disposal fee.

- We <u>cannot</u> take old TVs with monitors, computers/monitors.
- Refrigerators, freezers and Air Conditioners must have the freon drained and must be tagged by a licensed technician or it will NOT be accepted for disposal at Clean Sweep.
- We also cannot take hazardous materials and paint cans must be completely dry (to dry the paint, add cat litter).
- We cannot accept household trash.

This is for bulk items that your weekly trash service can not pick up.

We gladly accept donations for the Bastrop County Animal Shelter - dog or cat food, kitty litter, blankets, towels, etc...

If you can assist in unloading your items, it would definitely be appreciated and it would help speed up the process.

We need Clean Sweep Volunteers!

Please call or email our office at 512-321-1145 or info@tahitianvillage.org



VETERANS' ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION

The Tahitian Village Veterans' Assistance Program reimburses up to \$2,000 for a handicap accessible ramp to be built for U.S. Veterans living in Tahitian Village.

Guidelines:

- Must be a U.S. Veteran
- Tahitian Village must be your primary residence/homestead
- Either the veteran or his/her spouse must be disabled and in need of a handicap assessable ramp
- The ramp must be built by a licensed contractor or a certified organization
- Receipts must be provided to Tahitian Village Property Owners' Association along with this application to be considered for reimbursement
- All required permits must be obtained (City or County and TVACC)

Full Legal Name of Veteran/Homeowner:					
Mailing Address:		; Bast	rop, TX 78602		
Phone Number:	Email:				
Signature		Date			

Please provide the following along with this application:

- Proof of Military Service (please provide a copy of your DD214, Military ID, etc.)
- Proof that the Veteran or his/her spouse is disabled and in need of a handicap accessible ramp
- Receipts from a licensed contractor or certified organization showing the cost of the ramp
- Copy of the Bastrop County or City of Bastrop permit and the TVACC building permit

Once the application is received along with the required documentation, the TVPOA Board will review the application at the next regularly scheduled meeting. After that meeting, you will be notified if your application was approved or denied (or if more documentation is needed to make a decision) and when your reimbursement check will be ready.

Thank you for your service to our Country!

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER VIOLATION REPORT

Unpermitted items		
Unit 1	1	
Unit 2	8	
Unit 3	3	
Unit 4	2	
Unit 5	12	
<u>Over-grown yard or Bandit Sign</u>		
Unit 1	0	
Unit 2	4	
Unit 3	3	
Unit 4	1	
Unit 5	1	
	/Construction	
<u>items in vi</u> <u>street</u>	ew of public	
Unit 1	1	
Unit 2	6	
Unit 3	5	
Unit 4	5	
Unit 5	15	
onits	15	
<u>Other</u>		
Unit 1	4	
Unit 2	5	
Unit 3	5	
Unit 4	2	
Unit 5	5	

HOW TO REPORT A VIOLATION

CALL: 512-321-1145

EMAIL: info@tahitianvillage.org

WEBSITE: https://tahitianvillage.org/report-violations/

IN PERSON: 112 Park Lane - please call or email the Association to schedule an appointment.

Appointments are required to ensure there are no scheduling conflicts, and to ensure privacy/confidentiality

INFORMATION NEEDED TO INVESTIGATE THE REPORTED VIOLATION:

- 1. Your name (optional you may remain anonymous)
- 2. Your phone number and/or email address (optional)
- 3. Reported violation
- 4. The address of where the violation is located

The Tahitian Village guidelines and deed restrictions can be found on our website at: <u>https://tahitianvillage.org/poa/</u>

*No letters weren't being sent in November due to our Annual Meeting and getting people in compliance for a possible election.

All reported violations are confidential and will not be shared. We are here to help with questions or

concerns

Website: https://tahitianvillage.org



Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/tahitianvillagepoa

Office: 112 Park Lane (in the north-east corner of the Bastrop County Water Improvement District #2 building)

Phone: 512-321-1145

Email: info@tahitianvillage.org

2024 Property Owners' Association Board of Directors

President - Charles Brading

Vice President - Charles Brown

Secretary - David Carter

Treasurer - Mary Jo Creamer

Director - Mac Simpson

Director - Daniel Zimmer

2024 Architectural Control

Committee Officers

President - Greg Stigall

Vice President - Aaron Sanford

Secretary - Eddy Plummer

Treasurer - Randy Hudgins

Director - Kathryn Smith

Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home.



Report from the Colorado River Refuge 12/20/2024 by your neighbor, Luke Thompson

This morning, I walked all of the trails in the Colorado River Refuge with 3 other birdwatchers. We hiked 3.4 miles in 4 hours, (there is no rush when looking at birds). We observed 35 different species and easily well over 100 individual birds. Among the birds we saw were several of the Tahitian Village's largest woodpeckers, the beautiful Pileated Woodpecker. Several of them treated us to loud drumbeats on hollow tree trunks and one calmly ignored us from 15 feet away as the morning sun played off of its striking black, white and red feathers.

You can't beat that for good birdwatching. We were conducting one of the quarterly bird surveys we conduct on this large Tahitian Village wildland park owned and maintained by the Pines and Prairies Land Trust, a local private nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving open space in the Bastrop area. If you haven't been on the trails yet, there has never been a better time than now. We encourage you treat yourselves and your family to this great park.

You don't need binoculars or other equipment to enjoy the sights, smells and sounds of this Tahitian Village gem. However, should you want to know, understand and appreciate our local birds in more depth, the Bastrop Library in cooperation with Bastrop Audubon and Bird City Bastrop is offering Birdwatching 101 for Adults starting in January. Details and registration information below.





Thank you for supporting the Colorado River Refuge!

We are excited to share that, thanks to generous donations from the **Tahitian Village Property Owners Association** and **the Tahitian Village Architectural Control Committee**, we're looking forward to several exciting improvements at the refuge in the coming months!

Some of the projects planned for 2025 include:

Repairs to our parking lot Enhanced poison ivy control Continued trail improvements A new children's nature-scape play area

We deeply appreciate the support of these neighborhood groups in helping us to make these projects possible! If you'd like to get involved in building the nature-scape or have suggestions for us, we'd love to hear from you. Feel free to join us during our trail maintenance days or reach out anytime!

Thank you, Laurie Mason Outreach Manager <u>laurie@pplt.org</u> 512-309-1911

Learn more about our 501(c)3 nonprofit or join our newsletter at pplt.org

Community Contact Information

Tahitian Village Property Owners' Association/ Tahitian Village Architectural Control Committee 112 Park Lane, PO Box 636, Bastrop, Texas 78602 Phone: 512.321.1145 Email: info@tahitianvillage.org Website: www.tahitianvillage.org

ACC meets the first Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. – Open to the public at 112 Corporate Dr. POA meets the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. – Open to the public at 112 Corporate Dr.

Bastrop County Water Control & Improvement District #2 (BCWCID #2)

112 Corporate Dr., 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

Bastrop River Club

636 Riverside Drive, Bastrop, Texas 78602 Phone 512.321.1181 website: <u>www.bastropriverclub.com</u>

Bastrop County Animal Shelter

589 Cool Water Drive, Bastrop, Texas 78602 Phone 512.549.5160 website: <u>www.co.bastrop.tx.us/site/content/animalcontrol</u>

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: <u>https://www.bluebonnetelectric.coop/Residential/Overview</u>

**For information on placement of mailboxes or mail services, please contact the United States Postal Service at 512.303.1014