

March 2025 Newsletter

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# Garage Sale - Oak Wilt - Meet Krista Laine Watch the Skies - Monarchs on the Way Home

# Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 9. Spring forward!



# **GARAGE SALE**

Friday April 25 thru Sunday April 27

# WE'RE BACK!!

Check the website for Q&A, details, and helpful tips.

#### From Elizabeth Gomez - Special Events

You asked, and we listened. The HOA is sponsoring a neighborhood Garage Sale, and we will

- post signs at the major neighborhood entrances,
- advertise in local forums, and
- provide a list and map of the people participating.

Pro Tips for participants include

- signs from main streets to yours,
- two or more families together always peaks interests, and
- if you don't have enough to sell, talk to your neighbors. Some are happy to donate items just to get them out of the house.

Use the link below to share your location for the list and map.

Please spread the word to your friends and neighbors, and let's make this a successful and enjoyable event for all.

**BVS HOA Website** 

## **Oak Wilt Reminders Coming to Your Door**

These door hangers will be delivered to each home in our area very soon. The info and links are a reminder about how to manage this quickly spreading disease that can affect oak trees.

They are the perfect size to keep on your desk or refrigerator for future reference or to share with friends.

Several people already have volunteered to deliver the door hangers along their streets. However, we still need a few more volunteers to cover the area.

If you love walking along our beautiful streets and want to get the word out, then please click the link below to volunteer to help with our community mission.

#### **Communications Email**





## **Farmers' Markets and Other Sources**

Do you have a favorite Farmers' Market or other food source? Is there a nearby place with community gardens?

Please email your ideas, using the link below, and we will get a list going on the website.

We can agree that our local grocer is great, but it can be good and even fun to find other sources - maybe even try new food.

You might be thinking about branching out with a few chickens like Miss Peepers. *However, the deed restrictions in our subdivisions specifically prohibit keeping farm animals - including chickens.* 

#### **Communications Email**

## **Monarchs Coming Home**

The story of the Monarch Butterflies is intriguing and of great interest to us in Central Texas because we are on the flight path. More info here on our website. Scroll down

Early each March overwintering monarchs begin arriving from their overwintering grounds in Mexico. Seeking emerging milkweeds, they



move through Texas laying eggs before dying. Their offspring continue heading north, leaving most of Texas behind, the first of several new generations of monarchs that re-populate the eastern half of the United States and southern Canada.

The Journey North website has an interactive map of their migration. One's already been sighted in Hutto.

#### **Journey North Monarch Map**

Do you ever wonder what we could do to help these tiny beings as they undertake such an enormous adventure?

While the city and state do plant milkweed where they can, the little patches are equally important. We can make waystations in our yards. Maybe neighbors or block groups want to join together for grouped plantings. You can read more at the link below, which describes best practices for plantings, as well as offering a certificate, if wanted

#### **Monarch Waystation**

From Linda Strickland, President

# Wow! You don't see neighborhoods like this anymore.

These were the first words from our friends, who visited recently. Quiet, winding, tree-lined streets with lovely homes, friendly people walking their dogs, and even some deer moving down the block were their impressions.

They recognized immediately what we know to be true. Not only is our

#### Invitation from The Mountain -Come Hear Our COA Representative Krista Laine Speak

The Mountain HOA arranged a meeting with our new City Council Representative to speak with our community. They graciously extended an invitation to our HOA to attend, as well.

> Sunday, March 16th 4 PM

neighborhood physically beautiful, but the kindness and friendliness is equally evident.

If you smiled or nodded your head while reading this, then you know exactly what is special about this place.

This atmosphere was evident in the early days of the subdivisions and has carried on through the work of many volunteers, as well as that of the HOA.

Yes, it happens because individual people take the time to do something extra for another. The HOA does its best to support all of us by sharing information, taking the lead in major events like the Oak Wilt situation, and much more.

This year we have a shortfall in paid members and need your help. Annual dues are \$50, and you can pay by clicking the button, which goes to the website.

It is an excellent investment in our neighborhood. Click the button and Join Now!



There will be plenty of time for questions and answers. Also, consider bringing a lawn chair for easier seating.





## Watch The Skies

# March Sky Full of Stars and Planets

Have you seen the Scorpius or Teapot constellations? How about Castor and Pollux? Use the link below to read about the March Sky. Some great videos there, too Earth Sky Website

Interested in looking through a big telescope? There are two in our

#### Lunar Eclipse - March 13-14

Believe it or not - the March moon is known as the Worm Moon.

The peak of the eclipse will be around 2 AM on the 14th. However, we can see the beginning a few hours earlier.

The Earth Sky website discusses lunar eclipses, if you want a deeper

area. If you or your children have an interest in viewing the sky, it might be worth a trip.

dive.

Earth Sky Website - Lunar **Eclipse** 

#### **Reimers Observatory**

**UT - Painter Hall** 

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### Save the Date

March 2025

9	Sunday	Daylight Savings Time Begin	s Spring forward one hour
10	Monday	<b>BVS HOA Board Mtg</b>	5 PM Spicewood Library **
17-21	Mon - Fri	Spring Break	RRISD
22	Saturday	International Goof Off Day	
31	Monday	Student Holiday	RRISD
		April 202	25
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25-27 Fri - Sun Garage Sale State **BVS Neighborhood** 

Spicewood Branch of Public Library, 8637 Spicewood Springs Rd.



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