

# **Spreading Holiday Cheer**

Help us turn April Cove into Christmas Cove this year. Each year we try to add some festive décor to the entrance of our subdivision for the Christmas holiday. This year we are encouraging all April Cove owners to spread the Christmas spirit by decorating their home exterior or property with Christmas decorations. There is no contest and we will not be inviting the general public into our subdivision to view the displays. The sole



purpose is to spread the cheer and warmth of the holiday with our neighbors right here in our subdivision. Whether you put up a few simple lights or complete elaborate displays, your efforts will be appreciated.

## **Potluck Social**

Mark your calendars for a party to begin the new year. The Goodwill Committee will be hosting a *Saturday Night Social* potluck dinner party on **January 11, 2020** at the home of Steve & Susan Barkley. Meat, bread and beverages will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert. We hope everyone will come to mingle with their Cove neighbors.



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The burn ban was canceled on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Check the Freestone Co. website for the latest status, www.co.freestone.tx.us



# **April Cove Events**

## **Memorial Day Weekend Meet and Greet**

The Goodwill Committee once again successfully hosted a Memorial Day Weekend Meet and Greet on Sun May 26th. There were plenty of hot dogs, homemade ice cream, great company and stories of those who served. Many thanks to the Goodwill Committee.









June 1<sup>st</sup>, Workday

Thanks to all those who helped with the spring workday. A lot was accomplished. The focus was on the front entrance, the trailer lot and mowing the right of ways.











Thanks to individuals taking it upon themselves to do what needs to be done there will be no need for a Fall workday this year. Thank you to Bob and Wanda Rollins, Cheryl Wangrin and the army of mowers!

However, if you feel an urge to do some weed eating, the trailer lot could use some TLC.



## **Around Richland Chambers**

## **Thoughts on Community from an April Cove Resident**

The area surrounding April Cove is rural but there's a lot that happens here on the south side of the lake. One definition of the word community is "a feeling of fellowship with others, as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests, and goals." The April Cove property owner's association tries to instill a sense of community within our subdivision.

Outside of April Cove, we are fortunate to have a volunteer fire department very near and the community's support of their service and their fundraising events is very much appreciated. The Community Care Club engages in a variety of charitable and service activities which would not be possible without community participation. Local small businesses make lake life easier by filling the gaps in daily needs right here and eliminating the need to drive over 20 miles to get essentials. The Methodist and Baptist churches provide spiritual support as well as many extracurricular activities for the entire community. Add to all that, the card clubs, book clubs, line dancing classes, crafting classes and groups that play "42" to name a few. There is no village or town here, but this is a great community. Everyone is free to participate as much or as little as they choose but wherever they go, they are always welcomed with warmth and smiles. Take advantage of all that is available to us here and be thankful for our community.

#### Reminder

The Southern Oaks Volunteer Fire Department has installed an **Emergency Warning Siren.** The siren will be tested on the second Monday of each month at 1:00 pm.. If the siren is heard at any other time, day or night, seek shelter immediately. The sounding of the siren indicates that a tornado or other serious weather event is likely.

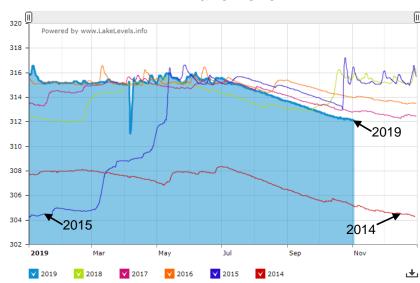
# Richland Chambers Hardware

Richland Chambers Hardware has new owners; John and Kay Coulter. Store Hours: Monday - Friday 7:30am - 5:00pm Saturday

7:30am - 3:00pm **903-389-4411** 



#### Lake Level



Historical Graph of the lake level, last drought was 2014 into early 2015



## Housekeeping

# Thank you to the "Army of Mowers" who volunteered to mow the right of ways in 2019! Great job!

Bill Johnson Deerwood
Dennis Stone Shadow Oaks
Donald Walton Tall Oaks

Bob Rollins Highview and Highview Cr.
Scott King April Cove and Pelican Pt



### **Post Office Box**

As of this summer we have a post office box in April Cove. The address is:

#### 113 April Cove Streetman, TX 75859

All dues and general mail should be sent to this address.



## **Annual Meeting Date**

Just a reminder as of the last Annual Meeting the Annual meeting has been moved from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in February to the **2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in February** to make it easier for "Weekenders" to attend the meeting.

### **Lot Mowing**

Thanks to everyone that kept their lots mowed and free of clutter this year. It really makes a difference in the overall look of April Cove and benefits everyone.

## **April Cove Website**

www.aprilcove.org

### **Facebook**

April Cove at Richland Chambers Lake

### **Dues**

Just a reminder that at the last Annual Meeting that annual dues were raised by \$35 per lot to \$235 and are due January 1<sup>st</sup>. Road Fees remain the same and are due July 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Goodwill Committee**

The committee greets new people into the AC community, provides meals to help those within our AC community who are ill or injured, hosts an annual Memorial Day gathering and anything that promotes the general good of our community. Contact Wanda Rollins if you are interested in helping. (903) 599-3603

## **Front Gate Remote Control Fobs**

Remote Controls can be purchased from Susan Barkley our Assistant Treasurer and Webmaster, (susanjanebarkley@gmail.com) for \$25.00 per remote device.

## **Membership Directory**

2019 updated membership directory are available. Please contact Cheryl Wangrin <a href="mailto:cywangrin@yahoo.com">cywangrin@yahoo.com</a> if you would like a directory.

## Things to do in our Community

"When the lake level is low"





#### 1. Cooper Farms Country Store

(903) 389-5500 301 Interstate 45

😭 😭 😭 😭 129 reviews \$\$ - Bakeries, Farmers Market

"The little store with any and everything peach you can think of! Jams, honey, fudge, pie, cobbler... Lots of unique sodas too! Very friendly staff and decent..." read more



#### 7. Angelita Vineyard & Winery

★★★★★ 14 reviews

(903) 875-0036 254 Shady Creek Ln

"Stopped here for a couple of hours, enjoying a Sunday afternoon. A tranquil setting with friendly service and delicious wine. Love that they grow their own..." read more



#### 2. The BigWoods On the Trinity

(903) 391-1112 14809 W Fm 321

★ ★ ★ ★ 5 reviews Wildlife Hunting Ranges, Resorts

The BigWoods was an incredible experience! The staff were very knowledgeable and respectful, the property was gigantic



#### 8. B-RI Railroad Museum

(254) 359-4100 208 S 3rd Ave

1 review

"So much history from Teague, TX inside, not just trains! A personable former engineer who worked at this depot gives tours and shares his experience. You can..." read more



3 Corsicana

★ ★ ★ ★ 3 reviews

(903) 872-3189 223 W 1st Ave

Corsicana is a cute little Texas town. They have a adorable little historic down town area with great shopping. You can find lots of antiques & good eats here...." read more



#### 9. Cook Center Planetarium

(903) 874-1211

Planetarium

3200 W 7th Ave





#### 10. Fort Parker State Park

(254) 562-5751 3147 N Highway 14

11 reviews Parks

"we had a great family reunion a few years ago at fort parker state park a wonderful place forfamily get togethers" read more



#### 5. Fairfield Lake State Park

(903) 389-4514 123 State Park Rd 64

(903) 641-0049

3501 Corsicana Crossing Blvd

★ ★ ★ 13 reviews

'We went Nov 2018 enjoying the cooler weather. I think we may have missed the fall colors but it looked like it could have been pretty. Stayed in the Post Oak..." read more



#### 6. Schulman's Movie Bowl Grille

- Corsicana

2 Previews

Cinema Arcades

'This review is mostly towards the bar tender Tina. She is super friendly with a great attitude. She always makes sure our experience is phenomenal! Very lucky..." read more

