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Recreation Center Update:

The community pool will open this year on 8 March 2025 and will remain open through October. Just a reminder that the pool will be closed every Monday (unless it falls on a holiday) to add pool chemicals to the pool. The pool hours are 8am to 9pm Tuesday thru Sunday.

Pool cards are available at DAMC; each new homeowner is allowed 2 cards free of charge, \$50.00 if lost/stolen/damaged. Delinquent owner, cards are deactivated, and \$25 charge is assessed. Owners must provide pool cards to their tenants, but the tenant must fill out a waiver at DAMC. Tenants must also provide a copy of the lease agreement to be allowed to use the recreation center.

Reservations for the cabana (**pool reservations are not allowed**) must be made at least 2 weeks (minimum) prior to the reservation. All deposits, use fees (2 separate checks) and contracts are due prior to the confirmation of the reservation. **Contact reservations@damctx.com for more information.**

A new shade area was added to the playscape/playground area. The HOA has a cement picnic table on order that should arrive soon and will be placed under the shaded area for people to sit and watch their kids play.



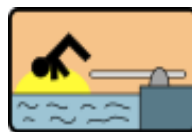
Basketball Court:

The court will be open mid to late March, as soon as the gate and security issues are resolved. **The hours of operation are from 8:00am to dusk every day.** Rules and guidelines are posted on the court fencing.



Community Wide Yard Sale:

Based on feedback from the community, the IHC Spring community yard sale will be **on the 4th Saturday of April (26 Apr)** and the IHC Fall sale will occur on the **3rd Saturday of October (18 Oct)**. Hopefully this will improve the deconfliction with other Helotes Community Yard Sales. The HOA is also looking to improve the community yard sale signs, so they are easier to spot and read.



Pool Update:

**** REMINDER: NO LIFEGUARD SERVICES AT ANY TIME ****

Just in time for Spring Break, the Pool will open March 8th. **The hours of operation are from 8:00am to 9:00 pm, Tuesday through Sunday, closed Monday for maintenance.** Pool rules and guidelines can be found on the last page of newsletter.



Basic lifesaving equipment - A strong, lightweight pole with a Shepherds Hook and a U.S. Coast Guard-approved ring buoy with line attached are available at the pool. Lifesaving equipment is not to be used as pool toys. Please make sure the equipment remains hanging in its storage location, as it must remain accessible and visible at all times. A telephone with 911 services is located in the Cabana area on the serving bar.



Security Company - The Board will again use a private security company this pool season to make sure everyone's experience at the pool is enjoyable. Homeowner feedback and officer reports, the HOA appears to be pleased with their services.



Property crime is something that happens in our community and is very hard to prevent since it is a crime of opportunity. The Helotes Police Department recommends if you park your vehicle outside then please ensure your vehicle is locked and do not ever leave anything of value inside the vehicle.

Improvements to your Property:



Just a reminder that ANY improvement to the exterior of the home must be approved by the HOA Architectural Control

Committee (ACC). Forms are found on the Iron Horse Canyon website – www.ironhorsecanyonhoa.com. Under resident resources click on ACC information. Items that are reviewed are landscaping, painting and any addition to the exterior. The ACC has up to 30 days to review. If there is more information needed, the applicant will be notified via email. Please be sure to submit the additional information as the 30-day period will not begin until that is received.

There are new landscape standards that allow for increased xeriscaping and some artificial turf. Please see the website for more information.



Update Your Mailing Address:

It is the responsibility of each Owner to notify the Association of any changes to their mailing address. Also, double-check billing addresses to ensure all names that are on the deed are listed. As a reminder, during voting we can only accept ballots from the owner(s) of record as listed on your deed.

It is also a good idea for you to provide us with a current email address. We periodically send out important communication via email only, such as Board Meeting announcements, road closures, and construction updates. You can send your email address to Cathy Williams at cathy@damctx.com.



City of Helotes App:

Please consider downloading the MyHelotes app at [Introducing the](#)

[MyHelotes App | City of Helotes!](#) It is available for both iPhone and Android phones. The app provides instant notifications sent to you about all things Helotes right at your fingertips. With the MyHelotes app, you can create an account with your e-mail and customize your notifications. The notification options are:

- City Events
- Meetings
- News & Announcements
- Road Closures
- Weather Alerts

With the MyHelotes App, you can easily have access to the following:

- City Website
- City Council
- Staff Directory
- Agendas & Minutes
- Bulk Pick Up
- Brush Pick Up
- Permits
- Request Forms
- Events Calendar
- City Holidays



Contribute to Neighborhood Safety:

Clean It Up. Picking up litter, removing graffiti and maintaining your yard not only makes the association look better, but also sends the message that our residents are diligent about keeping the neighborhood a respectable place to live. This can help discourage troublemakers from hanging around our community and encourage responsible and involved people to move in.



HOA Greenbelt

This past Fall the Board spread wildflower seeds in the greenbelt to enhance the area. These areas are marked with wooden stakes and orange tape.

Dumping anything in the greenbelt is not allowed! Let's please keep this beautiful natural area in our community free from garbage, brush, and lawn clippings. There is no excuse to dump anything when

each IHC residents has garbage pickup twice a week and brush and bulk pickup every other month. Bulk Pickup schedule is posted on the Iron Horse Canyon website.

The Greenbelt is mowed quarterly and sometimes the timing is flexed a little early or late due to soil conditions from what precious rain we do receive.

You must contact the HOA if you need a vehicle to access the greenbelt or any other HOA controlled property. A deposit will be required prior to granting access, and the deposit will be refunded once the HOA has determined no damage has occurred to the HOA property.



House Markers:

All residents should maintain their house markers. If you have missing or damaged numbers, please replace them. House markers that are easily seen from the street help visitors and emergency responders locating your home



Traffic As our neighborhood continues to age, there are many new drivers that will be driving on

our streets. The speed limit is **35 miles** per hour on Iron Horse Way and **30 miles** per hour inside the neighborhood streets unless otherwise marked. Please be aware of bikers and walkers who are enjoying the weather.

Please Do Not Leave Pets Unattended!



All dogs must be on a leash within IHC unless confined to the owner's backyard. Do not allow any animal to run free in the neighborhood to include the greenbelt.

Clean up after your pet, not only is this a requirement in the neighborhood but it is also an EPA requirement. Leaving a full bag along the sidewalk is not considered cleaning up. Please take your pet's full bag back home and dispose of it properly.

Please be mindful of your neighbors when you leave your dogs unattended in your backyard for an extended period, especially if they tend to bark a lot.

There have been complaints about cats running loose in the neighborhood, please do not allow your cats to run loose.

The City of Helotes no longer requires you to register your pet with the city; however, the city and the HOA Board strongly encourage pet owners to microchip their pets so they can be identified and returned home quickly if they ever get loose.



Volunteer for your Community:

The success of our association depends upon getting our members involved in the various committees that the Board of Directors depends on for support and guidance.

Volunteering to serve on one or more of the Association's committees is a great way to become involved and contribute to our community.



The association would like to sponsor some activities that would allow you to meet and greet your neighbors. HOA funds are set aside each year for social committees. **Contact a Board Member if you are interested in leading or assisting with an event for your neighborhood!**



Community Events

The Board has budgeted for an IHC community event for this year. The event must be open to everyone who lives in IHC...so it can't be for just one neighborhood. The HOA Board is looking for an IHC volunteer(s) to plan and work organize events. If you would like to help, please contact Board Member Craig Sanders (ihchoasanders@gmail.com) or Dave Cato (ihchoadave@otacweb.net).



Boats/RVs/trailers

If you are getting ready to go on vacation and are planning to have your boat, RV or trailer at your home for a day or two to get it packed and ready to go, please send an email to cathy@damctx.com to let the HOA know.



Stone Wall Repairs

Last year a portion of the stone wall along Iron Horse Way collapsed. Homeowners questioned why it was taking so

long to fix the wall and who was responsible for the repairs. Responsibility for the wall is pretty straightforward, once ownership of the land the wall resides on is determined. Whoever's property the wall resides on is responsible for repair. Unfortunately, the stone wall in IHC resides on homeowner, HOA and/or both properties in various locations. In the case of both, then the homeowner and HOA have joint responsibility.

Responsibility for the collapsed portion was not clear from the onset. All the HOA had to go by was a survey from an ACC request submitted by a prior owner that appeared to be drawn using a crayon. The homeowner did not provide any supporting information, so ultimately a metal detector was used along with the survey to determine the wall resided on HOA property.

Multiple bids were then obtained, and an inspection of adjacent trees was performed.

The tree inspection recommended removing several large adjacent invasive Hackberry trees and either removing or poisoning the associated stumps residing on homeowner property. Ultimately, the trees were removed, and the wall was repaired.

We would encourage any homeowner whose property backs up to the stone wall to ensure there are no trees and shrubs within five feet of the wall. The HOA will not repair the wall regardless of whose property it resides on, if homeowner vegetation is determined to be the root cause of wall failure.

On a sidenote: in an effort to help ensure trees on HOA property don't compromise to the integrity of the stone wall, the HOA removed several large trees on HOA property along the stone wall between the main entrance and Stablewood and between the Riata and the Enclave.



Board Contact

Please contact any of the Board members listed below with any questions, comments or issues regarding your HOA.

Scott Granneman, President,

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Craig Sanders, Vice President,

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Rob Viera, Secretary

Rob.Viera@outlook.com

Dave Cato, Treasurer,

ihchoadave@OTACWeb.net

Larry Kovach, Member at Large,

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There is additional useful information on our website to include our CCRs, ACC Standards, Forms, Correction Instruments to our CCRs and Amendment to our Bylaws found at: www.ironhorsecanyonhoa.com.

Go Paperless! DAMC encourages homeowners to update their profile in the homeowner Portal and enable eStatements to have your assessment billing statements sent to your email address.

On the Homeowner Profile tab of your portal in the bottom middle of the screen you will find a prompt that will allow you to "turn on" eStatements.

If you have your assessment set up on automatic payment, please be sure to update the amount to be paid.



Questions?

Contact your Management Company:

Office Phone: 210-561-0606

Cathy Williams, Association Manager

E-Mail: cathy@damctx.com

We have a new IHC HOA Website. Although the website URL is the same as the previous one (www.ironhorsecanyonhoa.com) it is now controlled by DAMC and not a third party entity. This means items that need to be updated will be done in a more timely manner.

We also strongly recommend that IHC residents ensure that DAMC has their email contact info. This allows DAMC to push out time sensitive information to the community via email whenever necessary.

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SWIMMING POOL RULES & REGULATIONS

WARNING: SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK

These rules and regulations, for the safe and sanitary operation of the pool, are for your protection and benefit.

NO DIVING, RUNNING, HORSEPLAY, FIGHTING OR ANY OTHER DANGEROUS PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

- Children under 14 years of age must be accompanied and supervised at all times by a resident 18 years of age or older. There must be at least one adult for every five children. Residents 18 years of age or older may have up to 2 non-resident guests.
- The pool is for all members and their guests only. Anyone who is at the pool without an owner or resident of Iron Horse Canyon will be considered to be trespassing and asked to leave the facility.
- Members will be held responsible for the actions of their guests
- Key cards must be used to enter facility
- Glass containers, alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, and pets are not permitted in the pool complex. Service animals are permitted in the pool complex.
- Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the recreation center property.
- Food and drinks are not permitted in or within 5 feet of the pool.
- Persons that appear to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs will not be permitted on the recreation center property.
- Abusive or profane language is prohibited.
- No person within the pool grounds shall behave in such a manner as to jeopardize the safety and health of himself/herself and others.
- Spitting, spouting water, blowing nose, urinating, or defecating in the pool is prohibited.
- Any person having a skin disease, sore or inflamed eyes, cold, nasal or ear discharge, communicable disease, or who is wearing any kind of bandage or band-aid will not be permitted in the pool.
- All non-toilet-trained babies must wear swim diapers.
- The wading pool is limited to children under the age of 6 years old and an adult accompanying the child.
- Pool users must wear swimming suits or swimming trunks while in the pool. Clothing such as cut-offs, gym or tennis shorts, and underwear is not permitted as swimwear.
- The pool may be closed or its use limited at any time because of weather, operation difficulties, overcrowding, or at the discretion of the manager.
- No vehicles are allowed off the paved surfaces at any time. Any unauthorized vehicles on any unpaved surface are subject to being immediately towed at the owner's expense.
- **Association and management are not responsible for any lost or stolen items, and/or accident or injury.**

FOR SERIOUS INJURY OR LIFE-THREATENING EMERGENCY CALL 911

SECURITY AND GUEST POLICY:

1. **The Association reserves the right to not grant access to the pool to any resident or guest without their access pool key cards. NO EXCEPTIONS.**
2. Removal of Association equipment, furniture or accessories is strictly forbidden.
3. Report any unsafe or unpleasant activity to DAMC 210-561-0606
4. The Association reserves the right to revoke pool privileges for any resident who has delinquent Association fees.
5. The Association reserves the right to revoke pool privileges for any resident or guest should they cause an unsafe or unpleasant environment at the pool.
6. Residents are responsible for any damages to the pool area resulting from a lost key card.
7. Report lost or stolen key cards to Diamond Association Management 210-561-0606.

A KEY CARD IS NECESSARY TO ENTER THE POOL AREA

NOTE: THESE RULES AND GUIDELINES MAY BE ADDED TO OR AMENDED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE IRON HORSE CANYON HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION. ANY SUCH CHANGES, ADDITIONS OR AMENDMENTS SHALL BE FURNISHED TO THE HOMEOWNERS AND/OR POSTED AT THE AMENITY CENTER.