

## REMINDERS!

### Annual HOA Meeting

The Annual HOA Meeting is **September 14, 2015** at 7 PM at the Harvey Mitchell Elementary School.

### Membership Dues for 2016

Statements for dues will be mailed in January with a reminder in February. Deadline for payment is **March 1, 2016**.

### See a Code, Covenant or Restriction Violation?

Help preserve the property value of our homes by complying with the Codes, Covenants and Restrictions.

You can report violations or problems at <http://www.austinscolony.org/cr-violation/>, and can remain anonymous if you wish.

### Austin's Colony Website

**[www.austinscolony.org](http://www.austinscolony.org)**

Visit this site for more information including a list of the current members of the Board of Directors, Covenants and Restrictions for the HOA, Meeting Notes and Minutes, and more!

A very special "Thank You" to Gary Thomas, webmaster for the Austin's Colony website for all his volunteer work!

### Good Neighborhood Management

Here are some tips that help with neighborhood management:

- Park vehicles in the street so they do not obstruct mailboxes or traffic.
- Keep noise or amplified sound at levels that do not disturb your neighbors.
- Obey animal restrictions (no more than 2 dogs or 2 cats, or a combination thereof). Please control barking pets, and keep pets on leashes when out of fenced areas.

### City Contacts

Code Enforcement	979-209-5942
Police Non-Emergency	979-361-3888
Parks and Recreation	979-209-5528
Neighborhood Watch	979-209-5539

(Contact Sgt. Jason James)

### Schools in Our Neighborhood

Harvey Mitchell Elementary  
James Earl Rudder High School

### Nextdoor.com

Austin's Colony has established a presence on Nextdoor.com. This is a great way to communicate with neighbors about upcoming events, lost pets, or if you wish to sell something locally. **It is free to join!** Nextdoor.com does not take the place of our neighborhood's website. It is just another tool for communication with your neighbors. More importantly, Bryan Police post safety issues on the site. To learn more and join, please visit [www.Nextdoor.com](http://www.Nextdoor.com) or download the free App on your mobile device.

## Austin's Colony Homeowners Association

# Welcome to the neighborhood!

### Our Mission

*We will continually strive for the betterment of our neighborhood, enhanced property values and improved quality of life by encouraging Austin's Colony residents to actively participate in providing a safe, clean, beautiful, and dynamic neighborhood.*

(From the Bylaws of Austin's Colony Homeowners Association of Bryan, Inc., adopted by the Board of Directors on December 15, 1998.)

## Austin's Colony HOA

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## Howdy, Neighbor!

Austin's Colony Homeowners Association of Bryan, Texas wishes to welcome you into the community, the place where we call **HOME**.

Please visit our website:

[www.austinscolony.org](http://www.austinscolony.org)

To review information for your phase and surrounding community (Codes, Covenants and Restrictions for each building phase in Austin's Colony are not identical).

Please review some of the friendly reminders that give our community a great curb appeal, that keep the values of our investments high, that keep local crime low, and that foster good community relationships with your neighbors and the city.

We welcome anyone to attend our board meetings or give suggestions via the website.

## Safety Considerations

- Park *locked* cars on the street with the flow of traffic.
- Keep garage doors closed when you're not outdoors.
- Make sure house numbers are clearly visible for emergency vehicles.



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## Did you know...?

### High Weeds and Grass

Grass or weeds over 12 inches high is a violation of the City of Bryan Code of Ordinances. High grass contributes to blight conditions, creates an insect and rodent harborage, and becomes a nuisance. It can also make grass fires more dangerous for fire fighters and homeowners. A fee will be charged to the property owner if the City has to mow the property.

*(Find more information on the Code Enforcement page for the City of Bryan, [www.bryantx.gov/planning-and-development-services/code-enforcement/](http://www.bryantx.gov/planning-and-development-services/code-enforcement/))*

## Be a Good Neighbor!

Here are some of the ways you can be a good neighbor and help preserve the curb appeal of your home:

- Do regular lawn maintenance, including mowing your lawn, trimming trees and shrubs, and keeping flower beds weeded.
- Remove grass clippings from the street.
- Keep fences in good repair.
- Shed or outbuildings that can be seen from the road should complement the home in color scheme and have a shingle roof.
- Pick up after your pets.
- Garage sales are only allowed once every four months, and require a city permit. Take down your signs once the sale is over.
- Take down decorative holiday lighting at least 30 days after the holiday or event.
- Don't use the front of your home for storage.
- No boats, recreational vehicles or commercial vehicles may be parked in driveways or yards.

