

# THE Canyon Call

The newsletter of the Sunset Canyon Land Owner's Association  
March 2026

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## SCLA: 2026 Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Sunset Canyon Landowners Association was called to order on February 9, 2026 at 7:00 in Sunset Canyon Baptist Church by Vice President Randy Foster. All board members were present.

### Guest Speakers

Dave Graham, the newly-elected Constable Precinct 4, explained the role of Constables in the community. They are officers of the court who serve papers and serve as peace officers, assisting the sheriffs office in community oriented policing. They can make arrests, write tickets, and investigate crimes.

Officers can provide patrol watches while homeowners are on vacation (don't forget to let them know if you come back early), and help with vehicle lockouts.

The biggest challenge the Constable's office sees is adapting to growth and the increase in traffic. He encouraged us to restrict phone usage and speeding while driving since they are the major cause of accidents on 290.

### Board Business

The elected board for 2026 was approved. All committees gave a summary of activities for 2025.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

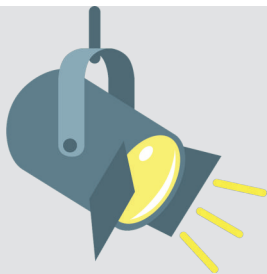
### SUNSET CANYON COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Saturday, May 2, 2026  
8 am - 12 pm

Neighbors can submit their addresses to Alan Kley Meyer at [scla.sec@sunsetcanyon.org](mailto:scla.sec@sunsetcanyon.org) if they would like to be listed on a map of Sunset Canyon. The map will be available via the Sunset Canyon website to those driving through the neighborhood. Names will not be included alongside addresses. However, short general descriptions of the types of items for sale can be listed in your submission. You do not have to submit your address to participate. Thank you for participating!

### OAK WILT PRESENTATION

The SCLA is hosting an oak wilt presentation at the Sunset Canyon Baptist Church on Thursday, April 16 at 7 pm. The speaker, Camille Wiseman, is a Woodland Ecologist at Texas A&M and an ISA Certified Arborist.



## Local Spotlight

### **The Shops at Mars Beads**

Located just south of town off RR 12, Mars Beads is also home to Fourth Rock Records and 2 Moons Art Loft. The store features custom jewelry, jewelry making classes, beads, and beading supplies; new and used records; an eclectic mix of local art including paintings, sculptures, and mixed media.

Visit the store at 26550 RR12 or shop online at [shopsatmarsbeads.com](http://shopsatmarsbeads.com).

The Canyon Call is your newsletter! We want to hear from you.

Email tips, stories, articles, recipes or whatever else you'd like to share to Sarah at [scla.news@sunsetcanyon.org](mailto:scla.news@sunsetcanyon.org)

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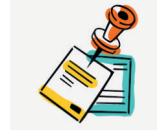
**Board Members:**

At-Large- Nancy Shindler  
At-Large- Sarah Wigfield  
At-Large- August Arndt  
At-Large- Lynn Dawson  
At-Large- Tom Funnell

For contact information and committees please visit our website at [sunsetcanyon.org/board](http://sunsetcanyon.org/board)

**BOARD MEETINGS**

The Board of Directors meets at 7:00 PM. in the annex of the Canyon Church on the second Monday of each month. Any changes to the monthly meeting dates will be posted on our website- [sunsetcanyon.org](http://sunsetcanyon.org). All residents are welcome to attend. If you have any issue to bring before the Board, please let the Secretary know at least three working days prior to the meeting.



**COMMUNITY CORNER**

WASTE CONNECTIONS: PRICE  
INCREASE & BULK PICKUP

Waste Connections is the preferred provider for trash collection and recycling services for Sunset Canyon at much lower costs than currently charged by WC or any of the other companies servicing our area. This year, the rate increase is 2.7%.

The updated quarterly rates, excluding tax, are as follows:

Trash only \$74.26  
Trash and recycling \$88.44  
Extra trash container \$35.37  
Extra recycling container \$14.15

As part of the contract, they also provide bulk trash pickup once a year. The pickup date is on the 2nd Saturday in May each year.

**Waste Connections customers:  
Please mark your calendars for  
May 9, 2026.**

As a reminder, Waste Connections collects trash and recyclables in the provided carts placed at curbside by the SCLA residents plus up to two (2) extra bags, boxes or bundles each service day. In order to avoid brush accumulation, residents can put bundles of brush out for each weekly pickup.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

With Daylight Savings Time comes longer evenings and more time for strolls around our beautiful neighborhood. Since there are no sidewalks, be sure to walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible. Drivers, keep an eye out for neighbors walking on the side of our winding roads.

STATE OF THE MARKET

Report courtesy of Welcome Committee chair Kelli Whirlow: As of March 15, 2026, according to the Austin-area Multiple Listing Service (MLS):

- There are seven homes listed for sale in Sunset Canyon, ranging in price from \$515,000 to \$1,325,000 (average list price is \$808,999)
- There are three homes under contract ranging from \$749,000 to \$1,250,000; those homes were on the market for between 6 - 11 days
- Two homes have closed to date; the average sold price for those homes is \$837,150

BRUSH TRIMMING

Just a reminder to those on corner lots- Please trim trees and shrubs so that neighbors can see traffic flowing. Make sure stop signs are easily visible in all directions. Thanks for making our community a safe place for all of us!

## SPRING GARAGE SALE MAY 2ND, 8AM- NOON

### Advertising

The SCLA will post reminders on NextDoor, Facebook, and our website [Sunsetcanyon.org](http://Sunsetcanyon.org). We will place signs at all entrances to the neighborhood. Participants can promote the sale on other forums (church, Moms' Groups, etc.), add garage sale signs from main street to their home, and/or tie balloons to their mailbox.

### Useful Ideas

Children can have their own area to sell outgrown toys  
Don't have much to sell? Check with neighbors to see if they are interested in combining. In this case, bigger is better  
You can ask more for items that are clean and in good shape  
It is easier to sell items with prices marked  
Clothes on hangers sell better.  
Jewelry is easier to manage if attached to index cards  
Include manuals with appliances and electronics  
Collect bags, boxes, and tissue paper to wrap fragile items  
Set out a bin marked "Free" for extra items

### Helpful Hints

#### *Before the Sale*

Buy pricing stickers, balloons for the mailbox, supplies to make signs  
Clear yard of tripping hazards  
Have extra chairs for those waiting on a shopper

#### *Sale Day*

Place biggest and best items at the curb  
Place full-length mirror near clothes  
Place bin marked "Hangers" near clothes  
Place smaller and/or high-value items where they are always visible to you  
Set out an extension cord for checking appliances.  
Set up check-out area with notepad, pens, calculator, measuring tape (to check on size of large items).  
If you use a cash box, then someone always must be there.  
ONLY accept cash, Venmo, or similar payment. NO checks.

## BLUE SIGNS

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Contributed by Kelli Whirlow,  
Welcome Committee Chair

A few years back, first responders had trouble quickly finding some homes in rural neighborhoods like ours. When minutes matter, that delay can make all of the difference. That's why those large blue reflective address signs were created- they're highly visible day & night and help emergency personnel get to you faster.

When installed at your mailbox or in a clearly visible spot, this simple sign can truly be a lifesaver.

As part of your membership of the Sunset Canyon Landowner's Association, we'll purchase and deliver one of these blue address signs directly to your home. Membership is just \$35 per year (mandatory for Nassour lot owners, voluntary for all others). You can join and order your sign online at: [sunsetcanyon.org/membership](http://sunsetcanyon.org/membership). Or feel free to call or text me directly ~ Kelli Whirlow with the Welcome Committee ~ 512.470.2992 and I'll be happy to help.

Let's make sure every home in Sunset Canyon is easy to find when it matters most!



## Treasurer's Update

Joan Thomas  
SCLA Treasurer

Thank you to everyone who paid their dues in 2025. We ended the year with 356 paid members and our year-end bank balance was \$16,975.91.

We have had a good start on our 2026 membership drive. As of March 19th, we have 268 paid members and have collected \$10,785 in dues.

We would like to beat last year's membership number of 356. You may pay your dues online at [sunsetcanyon.org/payment](http://sunsetcanyon.org/payment) or by mailing your \$35 check made payable to SCLA at P. O. Box 588, Dripping Springs, TX 78620.

# SUNSET CANYON HOA

## Bulk Pickup DAY

*Chunk your junk @ The curb!*

Sunset Canyon and Waste Connections will be holding their annual bulk pickup

**Saturday, May 09, 2026**

Items at the curb no later than: **7:00 a.m.**

*A maximum of four (4) cubic yards of acceptable residential bulk will be collected from residents with current/active Waste Connections Service. Residents should have all items neatly placed at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on the scheduled pick-up.*

### ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Bulky items such as stoves, water tanks, furniture, washing machines, and dryers.
- Air conditioners, freezers, and refrigerators that are tagged verifying CFC's have been removed by a certified technician.
- Lawn mowers: **Fuel and oil must be drained.**
- Bundled brush securely tied together and properly prepared (4-foot lengths, 4-inch diameter or 40 pounds in weight) and placed at curbside.
- Total acceptable volume of bulky items and/or bundles is FOUR (4) cubic yards measured.

### UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- **NO** Gasoline, motor oil, paint, chemicals, and similar flammable liquids.
- **NO** Medical waste (including needles and syringes), animals or human waste.
- **NO** Tires, batteries, and large pieces of metal (car fenders, engines, etc.)
- **NO** Used oil filters or any hazardous or toxic waste.
- **NO** Construction Material & Demolition Debris – i.e. concrete, rebar, dirt, sheet rock, rocks, excelsior, gypsum board, metal, rubber and wood.

### Preparing your Brush

- Yard trimmings must be bagged or bundled for collection.
- Limbs that cannot be bagged must not exceed 4 foot length and 8 inch diameter.
- Bundled brush securely tied together and properly prepared (4-foot lengths, 4-inch diameter or 40 pounds in weight) and placed at curbside.

### **YARD WASTE DISPOSAL**

Bag your grass clippings, leaves and other lawn trimmings in paper biodegradable lawn bags (available at area retailers).



Cut tree trimmings into 4-foot lengths.  
Bundle and tie with rope or string (no wire or cable).  
Must weigh less than 50 pounds.

### **Note:**

*Items placed at the curb later than 7:00 a.m. and/or exceeds the 4 cubic yard limit will not be serviced. The resident will be responsible for arranging for proper disposal of anything put out after 7:00 a.m. or over the 4 cubic yard limit.*



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