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Lindsey Kuhns Smith

July 2 at 7:53 PM · 🌐

Highlander Ranch

On July 11th the MCC Board of Trustees will Vote on Keeping or Selling the Ranch

The vote is at the MCC CSC Conference Center. 6 pm. The Center is on MCC campus, N 19th Street.

If you want to get on the agenda to...



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You're all caught up

Look for updates when an admin posts more items.



Liz Crump

July 4 at 1:41 PM · 🌐



This well kept secret of immeasurable possibilities and assets to the community should be maintained and promoted, not sold and chopped up. That this is even a discussion is disappointing! MCC, Waco, Central Texas needs this ranch for education and growth purposes. It has the potential to cover so many different facets and for such a broad range of clientele and students, yet has been ignored. The staff at the ranch work hard to maintain, and have done a great job with manage. See more





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Lindsey Kuhns Smith

Yes! Their riding program is great, the horses boarded there are loved and well cared for! Praying the board makes the right decision!

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Sandy Wittliff

I teach out there and though not horses it is dogs. We have been teaching groups of kids all summer on safety, dog behavior and training. My classes are a family event we're all the family is invited. To loose this would mean all of it goes away.

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↳ Katherine Speckmear replied · 5 Replies 29m

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Megan Coleman Ruf

21h · 🌐



Good afternoon. I spoke with Jim Smith, one of the county commissioners this morning. He indicated that if individuals are speaking on the same topic the judge may request only 1-2 individuals to address the court. I was not sure who was all planning to attend and speak but thought it might be best for us to coordinate before hand so we aren't scrambling tomorrow morning?!



5 comments 1 share Seen by 98

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Lindsey Kuhns Smith

I would get with Rhiannon. I am unable to attend but I believe she is... maybe Sharon also?

Like Reply Share 17h

↳ Megan Coleman Ruf replied · 1 Reply



Pennie Graeber

I have requested to speak. I am working on my speech now and Emma, my daughter, is writing a letter to the board.

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↳ Barbara Miller- Voyce replied · 1 Reply 35m

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Sharon Johnson

12h · 🌐



Link to Carl Hoover article is





WACOTRIB.COM

MCC Highlander Ranch supporters organize for board discussion of facility's future

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Sharon Johnson **Author**

This is a great step forward and hopefully something that we can build on.

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Lindsey Kuhns Smith

I only got to read part of it because they charge to read the articles but I'm glad it is getting more attention!

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Sharon Johnson replied · 3 Replies 11h

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Sharon Johnson

17h · 🌐



Carl Hoover is writing a story for the Tribune. He talked with me a few minutes ago and will be talking to Rhiannon. Also Teri Campbell will be talking to him to discuss the ShowTeam.

10

9 comments 2 shares Seen by 102

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Katie Kultgen

Is someone talking about the vet tech program? Ag? It would be a shame to lose a great vet tech teaching facility with a shortage of techs. A national study in 2022 by the Veterinary Hospital Managers Association forums 20 open positions for every 1 tech.



TODAYSVETERINARYBUSINESS.COM

4 Steps to Keep Vet Techs in the Profession

Like Reply Share 17h Edited

Sharon Johnson replied · 3 Replies



Sharon Johnson **Author**

Can Sue talk about it or has she been told not to? Dr Clark can. I will see what I can do tomorrow.

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6 News KCEN TV

12h · 🌐

Highlander Ranch is a home for horseback riding, full service boarding and enjoying the outdoors.



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'For my children, this ranch is everything' | MCC's Highlander Ranch may go up for sale

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2 comments 7 shares Seen by 90

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Lacey Dale Crenshaw
Look at you!! 🍌

Like Reply Share 3h



Barbara Miller- Voyce
We have boarded our 2 horses for years. Both my grown daughter's have lessened there. What a shame it would be to lose this facility. Just another check mark against Waco.

Like Reply Share 1h



Pat Morrison Kultgen

3h · 🌐



Would the City of Waco sell Cameron Park because it's not "profitable?"

👍❤️ 4

1 comment 1 share Seen by 71

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Sharon Johnson
Great point. Once an agency gets rid of an asset, it usually cannot be recovered.

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Allison Manning





Allison Manning

1d · 🌐



I'm not certain, but I think some folks may be attending the July 6 meeting of the county commissioners court to speak in opposition to this sale as well.

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Sharon Johnson

I am planning on speaking at the July 6, 9:00am meeting at the County Courthouse and the MCC Campus meeting on July 11th at 6:00pm at the MCC Conference Center.

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Sharon Johnson

11h · 🌐



Carl Hoover's Article as a pdf attachment.



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MCC Highlander Ranch backers organize for board discussion.pdf

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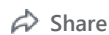
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Rhiannon Yard

16h · 🌐



We made the news. At 10pm is the longer version.





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Angela Marie
Way to go Rhiannon & team!

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Megan Coleman Ruf
Hoping they post it on their facebook page so we can start sharing it!!!!

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Rhiannon Yard replied · 2 Replies

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Katie Kultgen

17h ·



MCC receives state funding. Doc Anderson is a retired veterinarian. If you support keeping the ranch as an educational property and community asset, he and Senator Birdwell are two elected officials that could be worth contacting.

<https://senate.texas.gov/member.php?d=22>

<https://www.txdirectory.com/online/person/?id=24926...>



TXDIRECTORY.COM

Rep. Charles "Doc" Anderson - Texas State Directory Online

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3 comments Seen by 40

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Sharon Johnson
I have been trying to reach Representative Doc Anderson. He is in special session. I will kee trying. I know Doc as well.

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Lindsey Kuhns Smith

2d ·



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Press Release July 3 23_1.pdf

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Rhiannon Yard

McLennan County commissioners court, will be held on Thursday, the 6th day of July, 2023 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 1st Floor, West Wing, McLennan County Courthouse, 501 Washington, City of Waco, Texas

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Liz Crump replied · 7 Replies



Rhiannon Yard

18h · 🌐



Look for Lindsey and I on the Channel 6 News tonight at 6 & 10pm. KCEN Temple

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Lindsey Kuhns Smith

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Highlander Ranch

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Nicole Woods

If I still lived in Texas I'd be there at the meeting!! I used to board my horse and teach camp/work at Highlander. It was my little place of solace during college. Anything I can do from afar to help?

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Save Highlander Ranch

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Nicole - you are a wonderful example of the benefits of Highlander Ranch. You can write to MCC and Send a letter to the Tribune.

Many people do not know about the wonderful Ranch and "what" it offers. If we succeed in getting the vote to keep the Ran... [See more](#)

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Sharon Johnson

19h · 🌐



Earl Stinnett - estinnett@mcclennan.edu

Ricky Turman - rturman@mcclennan.edu

Elizabeth Palacios - epalacios@mcclennan.edu... [See more](#)

👍 7

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Sharon Johnson

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Just talked to the Board Secretary, Lindsey Vanek, and the emails and phone numbers are not located on the website. They are not published.

She will be emailing them to me and I will post once I get them.

👍 8

5 comments Seen by 100



Write a public comment...



Katie Kultgen

Something I learned when I worked in DC: written communication provides records of the contacts made. Write an email. Ask for a reply. If you make a call, follow that up with a thank you for taking the time to speak with me about the subject email.

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👍 5



Sharon Johnson Author

Email addresses vary. At Baylor I had to also use my middle initial. Normally it was first name _last name with no spaces. This depends upon the institution and the multiple uses of the same name. If that happens, then a number or middle initial might be used.

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↳ Sharon Johnson replied · 2 Replies

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Mary Ennis

1d · 🌐



I cannot make it to the vote. Is there a place we can email or call??? Maybe an online petition??

👍 1

9 comments Seen by 50





Write an answer...



Sharon Johnson

We have the phone number for Lindsey Vanek, 254-299-8140. However, the MCC Boatd is making the decision. You could ask her where to send a letter to the Board and/or send a letter to the newspaper,

This is a good question and I hope to find out more ... [See more](#)

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Mary Ennis replied · 3 Replies



Megan Coleman Ruf

Mary Ennis the other option is to directly contact one of the board members. Their emails are posted on the web page for MCC.

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Sharon Johnson replied · 4 Replies



Sharon Johnson

1d ·



Would a polling device like Survey Monkey be useful? We would need to make sure that people can only vote once.

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Sharon Johnson

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It is my understanding that MCC Highlander Ranch management will be presenting a 5-year plan. We do not know what it states since it is not public yet. I do not know if the vote to sell is before the presentation. The July 11th agenda will not be posted until a few days before the meeting.

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Sharon Johnson

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For those curious about MCC's Mission Statement. You can find it at <https://www.mclennan.edu/about/mission.html>. It might be useful in formulating what you want to say for your 3 minutes.



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To ensure the strategic goals and priorities of McLennan Community College's Vis...



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Sharon Johnson

When you are thinking of what to say. There is the Press Release statement, your own experience, and you can always refer to MCC's Mission Statement and Core Values. They are at <https://www.mclennan.edu/about/mission.html>.

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Sharon Johnson

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Conference Center Address & direction at

<https://www.mclennan.edu/campus/Conference%20Center%>



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Directions to the MCC Conference Center

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Rhiannon Yard

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Board of Trustees

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Sharon Johnson

If you know how to contact any of these people, please post that information. It is not on the MCC website.

If you know any of the Board Members, talk to them and tell them what the Ranch means to you.

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Lindsey Kuhns Smith updated the group cover photo.

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Lindsey Kuhns Smith

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This page is for friends of McLennan Community College's Highlander Ranch (parents, boarders, students, instructors, community members and anyone with an interest) located in Waco, Texas to show our support of the program and come together to prevent the sale of the ranch.

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Ruth Vroegindewey Kuhns

3d · 🌐



So happy to do whatever I can to help support this wonderful facility for the people of McClellan County. Our children so deserve this, please support this effort.

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