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***Keeping the Hill Country in Blanco County™***

*Education instead of regulation*

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## **Current Blanco County Conditions**

### **Flood Decision Support Toolbox**

Check current conditions at: [Texas Water Development Board](#)

### **Stage 3 drought declaration is in effect**

See drought conditions map of [Blanco County, TX | U.S. Drought Monitor](#)

### **Blanco County Burn Ban in effect**

Call (830)868-7104 prior to burning

### **City of Blanco water and drought news**

### **Water Leak Hotlines**

City of Blanco (830)554-0716

Johnson City (830)868-7111 Extension 2

**BCCI Facebook Page** - [Facebook](#)

**BCCI Website** – [bccitx.org](http://bccitx.org)

## **Save That Rain Water!**

In Texas, rain water is like liquid gold and yet we let it run away instead of using it. Our next **BCCI Community Educational Gathering** is coming up on Tuesday, January 27, at Gem Of The Hills:

**Basics of Rainwater Harvesting**  
**by**  
**Dr. Larry Sunn, EdD of Rain Bees**

[Click here for what is happening](#)

We invite everyone to attend!

## Be A Blanco County Star

We need your support to preserve Blanco County. The more people show they support us, the more people will pay attention and learn. The more people support us at any level, the more impact BCCI can have on the future of Blanco County. Show people what you think about conserving and preserving our beautiful county. Just click the following: [MEMBERSHIP | BCCI](#)

The BCCI membership program is brand new and already has ten members [Member List](#)

BCCI is not the only group helping preserve Blanco County. Pictured below (left to right) on a gate in Blanco County are signs supporting [DarkSky Texas](#), [Blanco County Friends of the Night Sky](#) and [BCCI](#).



## BCCI Still Needs Some Clerical Help

Just like any organization, we have office clerical duties to take care of. We do not have an office so all of the clerical duties are done at home by volunteers with a personal computer, an internet connection and a printer. Maybe 2-3 hours of volunteer time per week. If you would like to **volunteer by doing some clerical work** like sending letters and entering data, please contact [bob@bccitx.org](mailto:bob@bccitx.org).

## What else has BCCI been working on?

Here is some of the other stuff we had going on in the last month:

- The first required by Bylaws term expiration and election of Board members was held on January 13<sup>th</sup>. Four of the five original Board members choose to run again. They are April Sansom, Bill Sisak, Mark Zuzanek and Bob Heinonen. All four were elected.
- The election of officers was held. The following were elected:
  - President is April Sansom
  - Vice President is Bill Sisak
  - Treasurer is Mark Zuzanek
  - Secretary is open with President responsible
- The transfer of duties from Bob Heinonen to other Board members has begun. Bob is retiring this coming March 2<sup>nd</sup>
- The BCCI Board has decided to hold another strategic planning session.
- The **BCCI Blanco County Landowner Outreach** project is working with a few landowners who are considering turning their property into a conservation easement. Data on land ownership in Blanco County has now been accumulated through research.
- BCCI continues to have its monthly and special Board meetings at Texas Regional Bank in Blanco. **Thank you, [Texas Regional Bank in Blanco](#) for letting us use your great Community Room!**

~~~~~**A GOOD PLACE TO END THIS NEWSLETTER**~~~~~

As with any nonprofit organization, we are dependent on donations from supporters. You may donate to BCCI at [DONATE | BCCI](#)

Contact any of your Board members listed below for information and to give support. They want to hear from you!

## **Your Board Of Directors**

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