

ATTENTION BRIAR HILLS COMMUNITY!

THE LOCAL EVENT OF THE YEAR IS COMING YOUR WAY.



Our first Market Festival 2014 will be held at the Briarhills park and club featuring live music while you shop along the varied market stalls that will range from arts and crafts to that 'gem of a find' amongst the flea stalls. There will be food and drink vendors so you can enjoy the whole day while the kids are entertained by the Moonwalker, face painting, the Snakeman, the play area

and much more. Get your men ready for that 'Tug of War'. This event will be for the whole family and the community spirit.

Mark in your calendar for the 18th October, 2014 and bring all your relatives and friends for an all-day affair between 10am and 4pm.

(For Stall Vendor and volunteer enquires: dju1957@outlook.com)

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

GOVERNMENT SERVICES

Emergency	911
Constable (<i>Closest Law Enforcement</i>).....	281-463-6666
Poison Help	1-800-222-1222
Library and Community Center.....	832-393-1880
City Services.....	Call 311
Citizens' Assistance.....	713-247-1888
Public Works.....	713-837-0600
Neighborhood Protection.....	713-525-2525
Animal Control.....	713-229-7300
Wild animal problem	713-861-9453
Hazardous waste.....	713-551-7355

OTHER UTILITY SERVICES

Street light problem.....	713-207-2222
.....	(then 1 then 4)
Power out/emergency	713-207-2222
Gas leak suspected.....	713-659-2111
Before you dig.....	Call 811

BRIARHILLS SERVICES

Trash collection	713-733-1600
Amenity tags	281-558-7422
Tennis courts.....	281-558-7422
Pool parties.....	281-558-7422
Clubhouse rental	281-558-7422
Marquee messages	281-558-7422

ADVERTISING INFORMATION

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NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Article Submission.....	briarhills@sbcglobal.net
Advertising.....	advertising@PEELinc.com

Constable's Report Summary for HOA and POA

Accident/Minor.....	1
Alarm Local.....	9
Animal/Aggressive.....	1
Animal/Humane.....	1
Burglary/Motor Vehicle*	1
Check Park.....	9
Contract Check.....	231
Disturbance/Family.....	1
Incident Report.....	3
Information Call.....	4
Meet the Citizen.....	6
Neighborhood Check.....	12
Open Door/Window.....	2
Solicitors.....	3
Suspicious Person.....	1
Traffic Initiative.....	7
Traffic Stop.....	21
Vacation Watch.....	192
Vehicle Suspicious.....	8
Welfare Check.....	1
Total Calls.....	514

*The motor-vehicle burglary was April 29 at 7 AM on Oak Parkway (HOA).

See the Briarhills.org Security Data page for more information.

POA FINANCIAL UPDATE

By J. Gilmer, Treasurer / A. Witte

Summarized below is the budget for 2014 as compared to the 2013 budget. As noted for 2014, the projected expenses are under the projected income. It should also be noted that a line item is included to obtain a capital reserve study which will be used by the board to plan for the future maintenance requirements of the amenities (clubhouse, pool, tennis courts and grounds). To date 98% of homeowners have paid their 2014 maintenance fee. Final delinquent notices have been sent and we are hopeful that those who have not yet brought their accounts current will do so prior to our pursuing further action. It is important that all residents stay current in their assessments. Anyone needing assistance should contact the Office Manager at briarhills@sbcglobal.net.

REVENUE	2013	2014
Maintenance Fees	228,000.00	251,930.00
HOA User Fee	48,000.00	48,000.00
Trash Reimbursement	32,400.00	32,400.00
Clubhouse Rentals	1,200.00	2,400.00
Recycling Program	3,600.00	3,600.00
Misc. Other Items	14,650.00	4,100.00
Total Income	327,850.00	342,430.00
EXPENSES		
Administrative Services	13,000.00	15,900.00
Insurance	15,921.00	15,327.00
Attorney	7,500.00	7,500.00
Landscape Maintenance	6,300.00	7,200.00
Security, Constable Service	111,825.00	111,825.00
Trash Service	62,000.00	62,000.00
Utilities, Electric, Gas, Water	15,800.00	17,400.00
Community Affairs	2,500.00	6,600.00
Pest, Mosquito Control	3,015.00	3,015.00
Pool Management	32,000.00	34,500.00
Maintenance of Amenities	31,250.00	35,075.00
Recycling Service	3,360.00	3,360.00
Bldg. Cleaning Services	2,100.00	2,100.00
Capital Reserve Study	0.00	2,500.00
Audit, Tax, Bank Charges	1,903.00	1,903.00
Misc. City Permits	350.00	350.00
Misc. other items not specified	19,026.00	12,528.00
Total Expenses	327,850.00	339,083.00

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CRIME TIPS

My name is Sergeant Mitchell Hutter. I am over community relations and crime prevention for the Harris County Constables Office PCT5. We need your help with putting a stop to crime. You are our eyes and ears. Please call us at 281-463-6666 whenever you see anything suspicious. A suspicious person is anyone who you see on your block who you do not recognize. Do not let age, race or gender play a factor in who you believe to be a criminal. If someone comes to your door please always go to your door and acknowledge that you are home. Never open your door for anyone you do not know, then please call our dispatch so that a deputy can be dispatched to check on them. The same applies for vehicles. If you see a vehicle driving around slowly or parked in front of a neighbors home we want you to call it in. Neighbors looking out for neighbors is how we catch criminals. Please put our dispatch number in your cell phones (281-463-6666). List us under A constable or 911 constable so that is one of your first contacts.

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You can reach me (Sergeant Mitch Hutter) at 281-704-6825 to make an appointment.

If you have a monitored alarm, make sure it is calling the Constables Dispatch number.

Remember crime prevention is everybody's business.

Sergeant Mitch Hutter
Community Relations and Crime Prevention
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