

## Hello Briarhills Residents

Thanks to our wonderful volunteers, the Briarhills Parents Group, and sponsorship by the POA, the neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt was an absolute success! In addition to the hunt, there were egg races, crafts, a bunny bean bag toss, and treats. Even the adults had an egg race! Over 30 families attended and the event brought joy to neighborhood children of all ages. Mark your calendars for our next neighborhood event: an outdoor movie night on May 13th. A key to these types of events being successful is our shared beautiful green space. Please keep it that way by always remembering to pick up after your dog. The POA board has received many complaints about this issue recently.

The POA board is continuing to move forward on the construction project, which is slated to begin in October. We are continuing to review mortgage proposals, and will vote on them soon. If residents would like to attain more information about the project, we urge you to attend our monthly POA meetings in the clubhouse, on the first Monday of every month at 6:30 pm.

The Briarhills POA has a brand new website <http://www.briarhillspoa.org>. Current POA residents who have registered in the previous website should have received an email with instructions on updating their passwords on the new website. If you did not receive the email, please contact the POA office or go directly to the new website and re-register.

In regards to pool usage, Briarhills POA residents, who are current on their POA accounts, may pick up their 2016 amenity tags at the POA office starting Monday, May 2, 2016. Residents must have the 2016 amenity tags in order to use the pool facilities. Previous years' amenity tags are no longer valid. A valid driver's license or utility bill showing your Briarhills POA address must be presented before amenity tags are issued.

Finally, in a crowded city like Houston, we are continually grateful for our patrolling constables who keep a close eye on our open neighborhood. If you have a concern, you can reach our constables at: 281-463-6666.

Hannah Bailey

Social Director, Briarhills Property Owner's Association



## Hello Briarhills Dolphins!

We are excited to announce that registration for the 2016 summer swim season is now OPEN! Hip Hip Hooray!

Families interested in learning more about our neighborhood swim team can visit our website at [www.briarhillsdolphins.swimtopia.com](http://www.briarhillsdolphins.swimtopia.com). Registration will be open on our website until April 30th and our first practice begins on May 16th.

If you have any questions or trouble registering online, feel free to reach out to us. We are looking forward to a great 2016 swim season and can't wait to see everyone at the pool in May! Go Dolphins!

Stephanie Brewster & Jenna Wright

## 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 .....	281-368-8397
Amenity tags .....	281-558-7422
Tennis courts.....	281-558-7422
Pool parties.....	281-558-7422
Clubhouse rental.....	281-558-7422

### ADVERTISING INFORMATION

Please support the businesses that advertise in the Briar Hills Beat. Their advertising dollars make it possible for all Briar Hills residents to receive the monthly newsletter at no charge. If you would like to support the newsletter by advertising, please contact our sales office at 888-687-6444 or [advertising@PEELinc.com](mailto:advertising@PEELinc.com). The advertising deadline is the 8th of each month for the following month's newsletter.

### NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Article Submission.....	<a href="mailto:briarhills@sbcglobal.net">briarhills@sbcglobal.net</a>
Advertising.....	<a href="mailto:advertising@PEELinc.com">advertising@PEELinc.com</a>

## POA OFFICE INFO

### OFFICE HOURS 2016

Monday – 1:00pm – 4:00pm  
Saturday – 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
And by appointment

*\*The POA office will be closed on these days: November 24, December 24, December 26.*

### OFFICE CONTACT

Street Address.....  
..... 14300 Briarhills Parkway, Houston, TX 77077  
Mailing Address .....

..... P.O. Box 940548, Houston, TX 77094-7548

Telephone..... 281-558-7422

Email .....

[briarhills@sbcglobal.net](mailto:briarhills@sbcglobal.net)

Website .....

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

Every resident is encouraged to register in the Briarhills website. This allows you to have access to various up-to-date information about the POA that is not available to the public. You will also be able to immediately receive, by email, important announcements.

### SWIMMING POOL

A pool tag with the current year sticker is required to access the swimming pool amenities. Pool tags are issued at the POA office starting in May until the end of the pool season (Labor Day). Please check the Briarhills POA website for updates.

### TENNIS

key is required to access the tennis court amenities. To obtain a tennis key, please check the Briarhills POA website.

### CLUBHOUSE

The POA Clubhouse is available for rent to residents only. The daily rental fee is \$100. The signed rental agreement, together with the payment, must be signed and submitted to the POA office at least seven days prior to the rental date. Please check the Briarhills website or contact the POA office for the rental agreement and clubhouse availability.

### POA MAINTENANCE FEES

Invoices for POA dues are mailed in early December. Please contact the POA office if you do not receive your invoice by December 15. Non- receipt of the invoice does not preclude payment of the dues.

# NOW HIRING LIFEGUARDS

**CERTIFICATION CLASSES AVAILABLE**  
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Aquatic Management, the company that operates and manages the Briarhills Pool is offering certification classes and hiring lifeguards for the upcoming pool season.

Free certification to National Honor Society students, or 50% off for students who live in the Briarhills community as long as they work for Aquatic.

Lifeguard benefits: End-of-Season bonus program where lifeguards can earn up to \$1.25 an hour on top of their base salary.

Each student receives a free a hip sack with pocket mask, a free Lifeguard T-Shirt and up to 40% off Oakley and Ray Ban sunglasses once they pass the class.

Regular incentive awards will also be given, including gift cards, Lifeguard of the week awards and pool of the pay period awards.

**JOB DESCRIPTION:**  
**SUMMARY:**

Lifeguard has the responsibilities of maintaining order at the pool facility by preventing accidents through the enforcement of policies,

rules, regulations. Lifeguards are also responsible for monitoring the pool facilities for potential hazards or unsafe conditions, providing first aid to patrons. Employee must be or willing to obtain American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification or equivalent.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Welcome and acknowledge all guests according to company standards; anticipate and address guests' service needs.

Promote/enforce the rules and regulations of the facility.

Manage customer relations with swimming pool patrons.

Maintain constant surveillance of patrons in the facility; acts immediately and appropriately to secure safety of patrons in the event of emergency.

Provide emergency care and treatment as required until the arrival of emergency medical services.

Present professional appearance and attitude at all times, and maintains a high standard of customer service.

Perform various maintenance duties to maintain a safe facility.

Prepare and maintain appropriate facility records.

Check to ensure that all equipment is functioning properly.

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# REBECQUE & NANCY'S BEAT

Now that spring is here and we want to get outside to beautify our gardens, we need to take caution as to what we plant. Some plants are poisonous to pets, particularly Sago Palm and Oleander which can cause death. If you have young children or pets, you may want to do some research on the internet before buying plants. This is also a great time to mulch to retain the moisture in the soil as the heat of summer will soon be here.

May is national Bike Month with Bike to Work Day on May 20. Houston is becoming a bike city. For more information, go to [www.houstonbikeplans.org](http://www.houstonbikeplans.org).

It's Carnival time with the Carnival Houston Show and Parade from June 9-12. This includes a parade downtown on June 11 from 1pm – 3pm. There will be floats with costumes and music featuring the cultures of Carnival destinations. [www.carnivalhouston.com](http://www.carnivalhouston.com).

The suffering has begun on Memorial Drive. We will have 18

months of construction. Maybe it is a good time to go on an extended vacation!

Run-off elections for the Republican and Democrat Primaries will be on May 24. Early voting is from May 10 to May 17. Locations for voting have not been announced yet for Election Day, but you will be able to early vote at several locations. Turnout for run-offs is always deplorable, with fewer people voting. Your vote really counts! As your Republican Precinct Chair I am encouraging you to please not use the PAY TO PLAY ENDORSEMENT LISTS. There are 3, and possibly 4, that state that they are the "Official Republican Endorsement" list. Neither party endorses in a Primary Election. These publications make \$100,000s of thousands of dollars by charging candidates for their endorsements. All of them have put up a candidate to unseat the current county chair, Paul Simpson, because they are afraid that he will put a stop to this deception.



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## SOLID WASTE COLLECTION - GENERAL INFORMATION

Trash and recycling collection service is provided by Waste Corporation of America (WCA) - [www.wcawaste.com](http://www.wcawaste.com).

### TRASH COLLECTION

**Type of Collection:** Refuse will be collected two (2) times per week on Monday and Thursday. Containers and bags shall be placed at their collection points by 6:30 am on the designated collection day. Refuse is defined as waste generated inside the house. Items must be either in light weight metal or plastic containers, or sturdy plastic trash bags (not "kitchen" bags). Containers and bags should not exceed fifty (50) pounds. All permanent trash containers, after being emptied, will be returned to their point of origin in the same condition in which they were taken, normal wear and tear expected.

**Yard and Tree Waste:** Placed at the curb on your designated collection days. Trees, shrubs, brush trimmings and fencing must be bundled in lengths no greater than four (4) feet with no branch diameter exceeding three (3) inches. The bundling is required to allow quick pickup and size limitations are required to avoid damaging the equipment in the crushing process.

**Heavy Trash and Waste Collection:** Bulky Waste Items: Furniture and appliances (stoves, refrigerators, washer, and dryers) will be picked up on Thursday. Exclusions: hazardous waste, carpet, and construction debris resulting from remodeling or demolition

operations. By Federal Law, refrigerators and freezers, or any other items containing Freon must be drained of Freon and have an accompanying bill to validate such service was performed.

**Unacceptable Items:** For reasons of government restrictions, personnel and community safety, and protection of equipment, the following items cannot be collected: gasoline, motor oil and used oil filters, paint and other similar liquids, vehicle tires and batteries, and large pieces of metal such as car fenders or engines. Debris from construction and remodeling such as carpet, rocks, bricks, concrete, dirt, sand, gravel, roofing, lumber, fence boards, and large pieces of glass also cannot be collected. Potentially dangerous materials such as sharp objects, glass, metal, and the like should be properly identified and separated from other trash and/or double wrapped to avoid potential injury to the loader.

### RECYCLING

**Type of Collection:** Recyclables will be collected once per week on Friday. Designated recycling containers are provided by WCA. These containers may be obtained by contacting WCA or the Briarhills POA office. Recyclables shall be placed at their collection points by 6:30 am on the designated collection day.

Acceptable Items:

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- Cardboard: corrugated cardboard boxes, paperboard boxes (cereal, soda/beer, egg, shoe boxes)

- Containers: aluminum cans, tin cans, steel cans, empty aerosol cans, aluminum foil, plastics #1-#5 & #7 (milk, soda, water, juice, shampoo, detergent, pool supplies, pet food), metal pots and pans, copper, scrap metal (nails, screws, gutters)

Commonly Mistaken Unacceptable Material: plastic bags, styrofoam, wrapping paper, used pizza boxes, coat hangers, paint and solvent containers, light bulbs, mirrors, windows, dishes and cups, pyrex pans, wet or soiled paper, paper towels, facial and toilet tissue, disposable plates and cups, milk and juice cartons (wax-board containers)

**HOURS OF OPERATION:** Collection of refuse shall not start before 6:30 am or continue after 7:00 pm on the same day.

**HOLIDAYS:** WCA may decide to observe any or all of the following holidays by suspension of collection service on the holiday. In the event the holiday falls on the pick-up day, refuse will be made on the next scheduled pick-up day.

New Year's Day Labor Day Independence Day  
 Thanksgiving Day Memorial Day Christmas Day

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Provide general cleaning to include restocking supplies and picking up litter, as well as straightening up deck chairs and tables.

Perform miscellaneous job-related duties as assigned.

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