

Hello Briarhills Residents,

As demolition of the old clubhouse and construction of the new clubhouse begins in the next couple of days, please be aware of the following:

BPOA OFFICE CLOSURE: In anticipation of the re-construction of the clubhouse, the BPOA Office will not be open beginning September 12, 2016. It will re-open sometime in early May 2017 when the construction is completed. However, the office manager will continue to maintain regular office hours and can be reached by email, phone, or the contact us page on the website. Please check the BPOA Office Information for the details. The BPOA Office will respond to your inquiries within 48 hours. In-person meeting will be arranged if it is necessary, e.g., pick up tennis key.

SAFETY: With the presence of high-powered machinery and tools, the construction site can be very dangerous - especially for young children. Please use extreme caution when walking near the site the next few months.

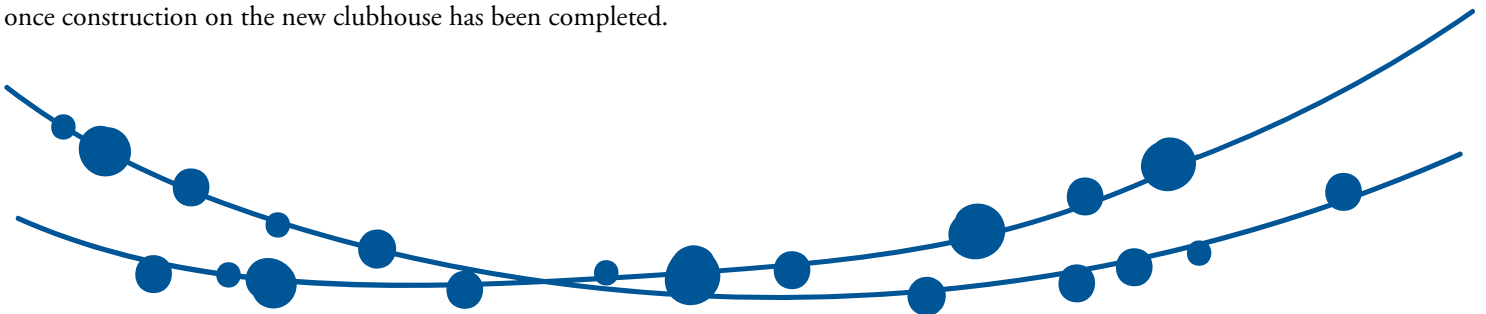
MOVIE NIGHT CANCELLED: Due to safety concerns regarding the construction site, the board has voted to cancel the upcoming fall movie night. We did this as a precaution for the safety of our residents. We look forward to having a summer movie night once construction on the new clubhouse has been completed.

HALLOWEEN: Finally, we hope that all residents will have an enjoyable Halloween. As you are out trick-or-treating or other festivities, please be mindful of others. We want this to be a fun and safe event for residents of all ages. If you have a safety concern, you can reach our constables at: 281-463- 6666.

From all of us on the board, we thank you for your cooperation during this construction project. We are excited about all the improvements the new clubhouse will offer and are looking forward to seeing our residents enjoy it in just a few short months. This is the last time you will hear from me in the Briarbeat. I am stepping down from the board this year as my husband and I are expecting our first child. I hope to see you around the neighborhood!

Hannah Bailey

Social Director, Briarhills Property Owner's Association



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

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NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

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

POA OFFICE INFO

OFFICE HOURS 2016

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

**Beginning September 12, the BPOA physical office will not be open. It will re-open when the construction of the new clubhouse is completed sometime in early May 2017. However, the BPOA Office Manager will continue to maintain the above regular office hours during this time period, except on these days: November 24, December 24, and 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
Website

www.briarhillspoa.org

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

SWIMMING POOL

Closed for construction.

TENNIS

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

CLUBHOUSE

Closed for construction.

POA MAINTENANCE FEES

Invoices for BPOA 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.

July 2016 Security Report Summary for HOA and POA

Alarm Local	11	Meet the Citizen.....	13
Alarm/Rep. Site	1	Neighborhood Chk.....	10
Alerts/Crime Tip.....	1	Solicitors.....	1
Burglary/Hab.....	2	Special Assign.....	5
Check Park.....	58	Susp Person.....	3
Check School	3	Traf Initiative	7
Contract Check.....	298	Traffic Hazard.....	1
Crim Mischief.....	1	Traffic Stop	6
Dist/Fireworks	1	Vacation Watch.....	105
Follow Up.....	1	Veh Suspicious.....	5
Incident Report.....	2	Warrant Service	2
Information Call.....	24	Total Count for Period :	561

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REBECQUE & NANCY'S BEAT

Did you try out the restaurants during "Restaurant Week" - which really lasted for 5 weeks? WOW! DID I HAVE FUN? My favorite was Etoile in Uptown Park. I went there 3 times. The lunches were the best deals. If you did not go, I would recommend that you pencil in August and try out some of Houston's fabulous restaurants at next year's event.

I received a checklist from my insurance company that details how to reduce risk of theft. Even though most are common sense suggestions, we frequently forget to do them.

- Replace or repair broken and cracked windows.
- Keep outside entryways lit. Consider installing motion-sensing or heat-sensing lights.
- When you are away from your home, make it look "lived in" by leaving music or TV and exterior lights on.
- Avoid placing valuables in obvious hiding places such as freezer, under the mattress, or in a cookie jar. This is where characters in the books I read hide items. It works in books and movies, but not in real life.
- Install deadbolt locks and peepholes in all exterior doors.
- Put timers on lights inside and outside.

- Do not leave a ladder or tools outside. There is no point in aiding a burglar.
- If you are going to be out of town for any length of time, notify the Constables at 281-463-6666 to be put on a vacation watch.
- Contact a trusted neighbor and let them know your travel plans.
- Either stop your mail and newspaper delivery or have someone pick them up for you.
- Don't post travel plans on social media. You can share your pictures and experiences when you return.

There will be 3 Presidential Debates televised at 8 PM on September 23, October 9, and October 19. The Vice Presidential Debate will be on October 4.

The last day to register to vote is October 11 which is also my birthday. A great day! Early voting will be from October 24 through November 4. Polls will be open from 7 AM to 6 PM. Ballot by mail applications must be received by October 28.

Election Day is November 8. Our precinct votes at Parkway Place Retirement Center at 1321 Park Bayou from 7 AM TO 7 PM. As your Republican Precinct Chair and Election Judge, I hope to see you on the 8th!



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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.

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

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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:

- Paper: newspaper, magazines, catalogs, junk mail, envelopes, office paper, construction paper, colored paper, folders, paper bags, phone books, holiday cards and greeting cards
- 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



The Briar Beat is Looking for Submissions!

The Briar Beat would like to build community between neighbors by sharing in each other's celebrations and losses. Thus, please submit news of any birth, wedding, or death of a Briarhills resident, or a family member of a resident, to:
briarhills.briarbeat@gmail.com

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- Oct 6 - 9 • 47th Original Greek FestivalGreekFestival.org
- Oct 8 - 9 • 45th Annual Bayou City Art Festival.....ArtColonyAssociation.org
- Oct 8 - Nov 27 • Sat & Sun - Texas Renaissance FestivalTexRenfest.com
- Oct 12 - 16 • 89th Annual Austin County Fair, Bellville, TXAustinCountyFair.com
- Oct 13 - 16 • 38th Annual Houston Italian Festival.....HoustonItalianFestival.com
- Oct 14 - 16 • 27th Conroe Cajun Catfish FestivalConroeCajunCatfishFestival.com
- Oct 15 - 16 • 19th Galveston ARToberFEST, GalvestonARToberFEST.com
- Oct 21 - 23 • International Gem & Jewelry ShowNRGPark.com
- Oct 22 • 33rd Annual Texian Market DaysTexianMarketDays.com
- Oct 22 - 23 • Wings Over Houston AirshowWingsOverHouston.com
- Oct 22 & 29 • Kemah Boardwalk Halloween Costume Contest.....KemahBoardwalk.com
- Oct 30 • 17th Annual Boo Bash.....TradersVillage.com
- Nov 3 - 6 • International Quilt FestivalQuilts.com
- Nov 10 - 13 • 36th Annual Houston Ballet Nutcracker MarketNutcrackerMarket.com
- Nov 10 -17 • Annual Houston Cinema Arts Festival.....CinemaArtSociety.org
- Nov 12 - 13 • 27th Annual Texas Championship Native American Pow Wow.....TradersVillage.com
- Nov 12 - Jan 8 • Festival of Lights, Moody Gardens.....MoodyGardens.org
- Nov 13 • 21st Annual Children's FestivalWoodlandsCenter.org
- Nov 18 - 20 • Jr League Holiday Market, The Woodlands.....JLTheWoodlands.org
- Nov 18 - 20 • Holiday Christmas Gift Market, Katy TX.....HomeForTheHolidaysGiftMarket.com
- Nov 19 & 20 • 2016 ViaColorHoustonCenterHearingAndSpeech.org
- Nov 24 • 67th Annual HEB Thanksgiving Day Parade.....HoustonTx.gov/ThanksgivingParade

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