

STAY INFORMED!

Are you receiving the POA news and announcements emails?

If the answer is no, then please visit briarhillspoa.org and register to be included on the POA email distribution list. Typical email topics include construction updates, meeting notices and current happenings in Briarhills.

Don't miss out!



2018 Annual Maintenance Dues

Please be on the lookout for your annual statement this month. Just like last year, the billing statements will come from a third party vendor and payments will be processed by Mutual of Omaha Bank (which is also our loan originator for the new building).

Payments can be made by check, e-check or credit card.

Remember, in order to avoid a \$100 late fee, all payments must be postmarked by February 28, 2018.



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. The advertising deadline is the 8th of each month for the following month's newsletter.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

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

POA OFFICE INFO

OFFICE HOURS 2017

Monday – 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Saturday – 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

And by appointment

****Due to the construction of the clubhouse, the BPOA physical office is closed indefinitely. However, the BPOA Office Manager will continue to maintain the above regular office hours during this time period, except on these days:***

November 25, December 25, December 30.

OFFICE CONTACT

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Mailing Address

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Telephone.....281-558-7422

Email

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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

A pool tag is required to access the pool amenity. Check the Briarhills POA website for information on how to obtain a pool tag.

TENNIS

A key is required to access the tennis court amenities. Check the Briarhills POA website for information on how to obtain a tennis key.

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.

The above information is subject to change without prior notice.

REBECQUE & NANCY'S BEAT

December 2017

The Energy Corridor District posted the following: "Kick-start your holiday festivities with the whole family and join us for the Grand Re-opening of the Energy Corridor District by participating in the "Jingle all the 5K", benefiting Memorial Assistance Ministries. The fun run/walk will start at 9 AM on Sunday, December 3, 2017 at the Addick Park and Ride right off of I-10. Not only do the participants receive a festive t-shirt and ornament medal, but there will also be Santa, dancing reindeer and post-race refreshments. So, come out and show everyone your best holiday attire and spirit!" Register at <http://runsignup.com/Race/TX/Houston/Jingleallthe5K>

After the race join your neighbors at Sunday Streets on Eldridge from Enclave Parkway to Briar Forest from 1 – 4 PM. Cigna Sunday Streets will be open to cycle, walk, run, dance, socialize with your friends. Since the streets will be closed, plan alternate routes for vehicle traveling.

The Harris County Appraisal District is reminding us that the appraised value of our property for 2017 is set based on the home's condition as of January 1 of this year. Therefore we will not receive a tax reduction this year due to the flood damage to our properties.

Whatever damage that has not been repaired by January 1, 2018 may be reflected in next year's value. This means that those who were flooded need to be prepared to file a protest next spring. On a positive note, you can download the HCAD app on your Apple or Android phones and click on Report Harvey Damage to notify HCAD of your damage. You can also report damage at 713-812-5805 by providing your name, address, phone number and account number, if you have it, along with the type of property damage and amount of water your property received.

Has everyone who did not have flood insurance signed up for it? It is not too late to contact your insurance agent to apply. Those of us who had it are extremely thankful.

Bring your children all decked out in their holiday finery to the annual Heritage Texas Properties Photos with Santa on Tuesday, December 12 from 5pm – 7 pm. Heritage will be accepting unwrapped toys that will be donated to Candlelighters. They will in turn give them to children suffering from cancer and to their siblings.

Have a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

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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 avoid potential injury to the loader.

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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)

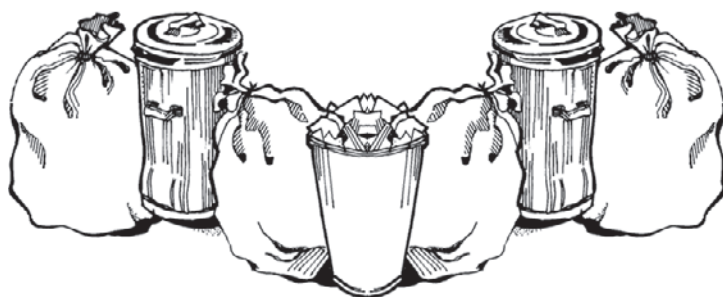
Commonly Mistaken Unacceptable Material: plastic bags, styrofoam, wrapping paper, used pizza boxes, coat hangers, paint and solvent containers, light bulbs, mirrors, windows, dishes and cups, pyrex pans, wet or soiled paper, paper towels, facial and toilet

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



2017 Season Schedule

Sunday, September 10 Jacksonville - 12 p.m.	Sunday, November 12 @L.A. Rams - 3:05 p.m.
Thursday, September 14 @Cincinnati - 7:25 p.m.	Sunday, November 19 Arizona - 12 p.m.
Sunday, September 24 @New England - 12 p.m.	Monday, November 27 @Baltimore - 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, October 1 Tennessee - 12 p.m.	Sunday, December 3 @Tennessee - 12 p.m.
Sunday, October 8 Kansas City - 7:30 p.m.	Sunday, December 10 San Francisco - 12 p.m.
Sunday, October 15 Cleveland - 12 p.m.	Sunday, December 17 @Jacksonville - 12 p.m.
Sunday, October 29 @Seattle - 3:05 p.m.	Monday, December 25 Pittsburgh - 3:30 p.m.
Sunday, November 5 Indianapolis - 12 p.m.	Sunday, December 31 @Indianapolis - 12 p.m.



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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:
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7 oz. jar marshmallow cream	1/2 stick butter
3/4 pound chocolate Hershey kisses	2 cups pecans
6 oz. can evaporated milk	2-1/2 cups sugar

Place marshmallow cream and kisses into a large bowl. Set aside. Combine sugar, milk, and butter in a saucepan. Bring to a boil and cook for 8 minutes. Pour over marshmallow and chocolate, stirring until well blended. Stir in pecans. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto waxed paper. *Delicious!!!*

We would love to work with you.