

## POA BOARD ELECTIONS: CALLING FOR CANDIDATES

The election for new POA Board members will be this September. Every Briarhills POA homeowner currently residing in the neighborhood is eligible to run for the Board. Now is a good time to start thinking whether you can be a part of this great opportunity to be involved in the management of our neighborhood.

The Briarhills POA Board is comprised of seven members – The Directors. Three Directors seats are up for election this year. After the new Directors are elected, all five will get together to vote for the Officers of the Board: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Directors are also assigned specific duties such as: Architectural Control, Safety, Pool Management, Maintenance, and Community Relations.

Interested candidates need to provide a written bio to include their professional background and their interest in running as well as any other information they wish to share with the other residents for why they should vote for them. These descriptions will be published in the August edition of the Briarbeat for distribution to all the residents prior to the election. **ALL CANDIDATE BIOS ARE DUE TO BACK TO THE POA FOR PUBLICATION BY NOON, JULY 14 VIA EMAIL ONLY.**

If you have any questions, or would like to talk to one of the current Directors, please send an email to [briarhills@sbcglobal.net](mailto:briarhills@sbcglobal.net) or call 281-558-7422. Please also check the website, [www.briarhillspoa.org](http://www.briarhillspoa.org), for any updates/announcements on the election.

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City Services.....	Call 311
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Neighborhood Protection.....	713-525-2525
Animal Control.....	713-229-7300
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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

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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

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### NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

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## 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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Website .....

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

## March 2018 Harris County Law Enforcement Summary

Alarm Local .....	4	Meet the Citizen.....	7
Alarm/Sil/Pan/HU .....	2	Meet the Officer .....	2
Animal/Humane.....	3	Neighborhood Check.....	77
Burglary/Hab.....	1	Open Door/Window.....	3
Check Business.....	1	Susp Person.....	5
Check Park.....	4	Traf Initiative .....	34
Contract Check.....	142	Traffic Stop.....	17
Disch. Firearm.....	1	Vacation Watch.....	12
Follow Up.....	17	Veh Suspicious .....	5
Incident Report.....	1	Warrant Service .....	2
Information Call.....	10	Total Count for Period :	350

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## YORKSHIRE ACADEMY

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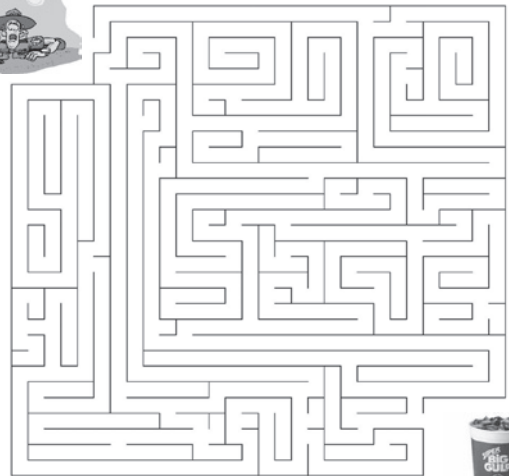
## HOMEMADE VANILLA ICE CREAM

2 large cans cream	½ quart whipping cream
2 cups sugar	1 tablespoon vanilla
1 pint Half & Half	1 quart milk

*Mix together in ice cream freezer container. This mixture does not have to be cooked. The recipe makes enough for a two quart freezer.*

## Kidz Maze Mania

The explorer is very thirsty and lost in the desert. Help him get through the maze and find the big drink at the end.



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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:  
[bhillspoa.briarbeat@gmail.com](mailto:bhillspoa.briarbeat@gmail.com)



## REBECQUE & NANCY'S BEAT

### JUNE 2018

Fire ants are moving in in force. We should all attack them as early as possible and as effectively as possible. Kindly have your property checked for pests including termites, bees, and wood boring bees. They are all appearing in greater numbers than prior to Harvey.

Good news! Robinson-Westchase Neighborhood Library located at 3223 Wilcrest has re-opened! It is open from Monday to Saturday. We may still have a long wait for our own Kendall Library re-opening. At least we have access to a full service library at Robinson.

#### DISCOUNTS FOR FLOOD VICTIMS

Today, when talking with some other flood victims, we learned about many of the stores that have been and still are offering discounts to flood victims. Some of the businesses are Pottery Barn, Pier One, West Elm in City Center, Ethan Allen, and Best Buy. If you know of any others, please share the information on NextDoor.com. In some cases, only some of the store branches are making the offer.

Governor Abbott has approved a unanimous request from

Harris County Commissioners Court to hold a special election on Saturday August 25, the one year anniversary of Hurricane Harvey, for a \$2.5 billion bond issue for flood-mitigation projects. This will enable the Court to bring down additional Federal money. This topic has been studied and discussed since 1910 as an aftermath of the 1900 flood. A couple of weeks ago at a Congressional Hearing held at the Berry Center, Congressmen Culberson and McCaul along with County Commissioner Cagle were adamant that they wanted action from the Corp of Engineers and not more talk of years of study. Addressing the largest single disaster in Harris County, if not the state, is too important to be left to chance.

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## Scale Insects

Scale insects are divided into two basic categories- soft scales and hard, or armored, scales. Soft scales produce a soft, thin, cottony, powdery, or waxy covering that cannot be separated from their body. They also produce a lot of honeydew (a sweet, sticky substance excreted by some insects). Hard scales produce a hard, shield-like covering made of shed skins and wax that conceals their body but is not attached to the body.



**Hard Scale.**



**Soft Scale.**

Scale insects lay eggs which hatch into crawlers. Eggs are usually hidden under the female's body, but some may be placed under a cottony or waxy covering secreted by the female. The first instar is called a "crawler" because when they emerge from the egg, they move around on the plant to locate a place to settle down and feed. Crawlers may be transported to other plants by wind, people, or animals such as birds. After they choose their spot, the insects typically do not move for the rest of their life.

Scale insects cause damage to plants by puncturing and removing plant juices via their piercing-sucking mouthparts. This can lead to yellowing, wilting, leaf drop, or sometimes killing sections of the plant. Soft scales produce honeydew which can lead to growth of a black fungus called sooty mold that can further stress your plant. Depending on the type of scale, they may be found on foliage, stems, or even roots of the plant.

### Tips for managing scale insects:

- Prune sections that contain scales from the plant and discard in sealed bags.
- Try spraying the plant with a high pressure water spray to knock the insects from the plant.
- Try treating the plant with insecticidal soap or horticultural oil.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at [www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com](http://www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com)

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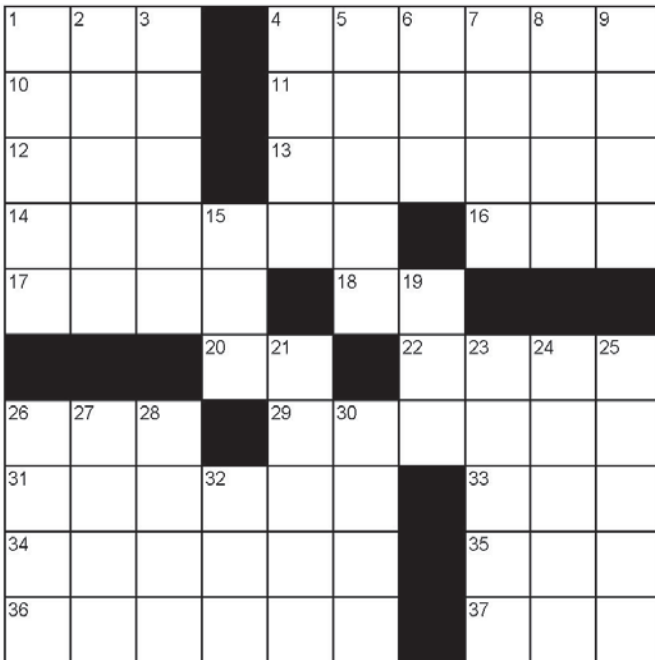


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## ACROSS

1. Abdominal muscles (abbr.)
4. Walks
10. Bumbling insect
11. Hide (2 wds.)
12. Rowing tool
13. City in the former USSR
14. Incomparable
16. Supersonic transport
17. Meat alternative
18. "\_\_\_ Mice and Men"
20. Cincinnati locale
22. Stretched car
26. Dined
29. Entertained
31. Delete
33. Type of partnership
34. Musical speeds
35. Elver
36. Seize
37. Sample

## DOWN

1. Regarding
2. Lotto
3. Character part
4. Thousand (abbr.)
5. Cowboy show
6. Bullfight cheer
7. Dining hall
8. Domestic cat
9. Lovers quarrel
15. Status \_\_\_
19. Respiratory disease
21. Trouble
23. Small island
24. Measure
25. Strangely
26. Branch of learning
27. Adolescent
28. Austin novel
30. Net
32. Choose

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