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NEW RATES

On October 8th, the POA Board of Directors voted to raise rates in order to cover increasing costs and to rebuild savings.

ATTENTION FLOODED HOMEOWNERS

Disaster & Humanitarian Services (DHS) is looking for people who need help rebuilding their homes. Do you know anyone who could use their help?

If so, contact:
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4605 Southwest Freeway, Suite 110
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Toll Free: (800) 620-9511
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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

HISD Communications Department Nominated for 5 Lone Star EMMY Awards

The HISD Communications Department has been nominated for five Lone Star EMMY awards for district videos and programming produced during the 2017-2018 school year.

Lone Star EMMY represents the most experienced and talented television professionals from all disciplines of the industry and from all television markets in Texas.

"I am incredibly proud of the work HISD's Communications team has done to be nominated for five of these prestigious Lone Star EMMY awards," said HISD Communications Chief Rebecca Suarez. "It's an honor for our team's talent to be recognized in our daily mission to share the incredible stories of our students, our community and the district."

The videos and nominees from HISD are:

Category: COMMUNITY/PUBLIC SERVICE (PSAS) – SINGLE SPOT/CAMPAIGN

A World Class Olympian Educator Milton Durango, Director Rebecca Suarez, Executive Producer Raoul Rodriguez, Director Of Photography

Category: ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT – PROGRAM FEATURE / SEGMENT

Más Que Mil Palabras

Enrique Gonzalez, Producer/Director/Editor/Camera Rebecca Suarez, Reporter

Category: HUMAN INTEREST – PROGRAM FEATURE / SEGMENT

Mochila De Sueños Enrique Gonzalez, Producer/Director/Editor/Camera Rebecca Suarez, Reporter

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

GOVERNMENT SERVICES

Emergency	911
Constable (Closest Law Enforcement)	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

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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 20.

OFFICE CONTACT

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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.

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Category: INFORMATIONAL/INSTRUCTIONAL – PROGRAM / SPECIAL / FEATURE / SEGMENT / SERIES

Camino Al Éxito

Enrique Gonzalez, Producer/Director/Editor/Camera Rebecca Suarez, Reporter

Category: PUBLIC/CURRENT/COMMUNITY AFFAIRS – FEATURE / SEGMENT

De La Mano De Josué

Enrique Gonzalez, Producer/Director/Editor/Camera Rebecca Suarez, Reporter

The Lone Star EMMY Awards Show will take place on Saturday, Nov. 10, 2018 at Bayou Place in downtown Houston.





69th Annual HEB Thanksgiving Day Parade

November 22, 2018 Downtown Houston – Smith at Lamar Street 9AM-11AM

Join us Thanksgiving morning, November 22, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., for the H-E-B Thanksgiving Day Parade. The Parade is located in downtown Houston and is FREE for all.

The Houston Thanksgiving Day Parade began in 1949, when Santa arrived at Union Station and rode his sleigh to the downtown Foley's. Since then, the Thanksgiving Day parade has gone through a few changes but today, it remains a 69-year-old holiday tradition showcasing the Houston community and entertaining parade-goers living the streets on Thanksgiving morning.

The 69th Annual H-E-B Thanksgiving Day Parade is produced by the Mayor's Office of Special Events, Susan Christian, Director and Parade Producer.



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Rebecque & Nancy's Beat

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Now that fall has arrived, the decision is: which and how many bazaars to browse through and, of course, to shop. There is always the Nutcracker Market, but if you like ones that are closer to home and less crowded, I have listed a few of my favorites.

Katy Old fashioned Christmas Festival, 10 – 5 in Downtown Katy.

Home for the Holidays Christmas Market at the Katy Merrell Center, 6301 South Stadium next to Katy High School from November 16 to 18. \$6 admission and free parking. Every year I buy many Christmas presents here.

CyFair Mistletoe Market on November 17 at The Berry Center, 8877 Barker Cypress. Free entry and free parking. Don't be discouraged by the distance. It is only 25 minutes away, closer than NRG, and well worth it.

With company coming for the holidays, we have a few suggestions of places to go and things to do. A convenient and different museum tour will take you to four museums within walking distance. They are the Czech Center Museum at 4920 San Jacinto, the Asia Society Texas Center at 1370 Southmore, the Houston Center of African

American Culture at 4806 Caroline, and the Buffalo Soldiers Museum at 3816 Caroline. Did you know that 18 Buffalo soldiers were awarded the Medal of Honor in the Western Campaign and 23 during the Civil War?

Several haunted ghost tours are listed. Each one is different. Wear your walking shoes. I have gone on a couple and found another one I want to try. We hear that the Houston Fire Museum on 2403 Milam is hands on for the children. In addition, 40 historically significant aircraft are on display in the Lone Star Flight Museum along with over 1,500 artifacts. This is on my local bucket list.

Your family and friends can be transported to another era at The Escape Hunt Experience on 125 West Gray by playing different parts to solve a mystery. For a more daring and exhilarating family experience try out the XD Ride Virtual Reality Adventure to virtually experience sensations like falling and jumping or the thrill of roller coaster rides. Zombie Attack, Los Banditos, Gigamon, or Robot Riot are available adventures.

Whatever you do, have a Happy Thanksgiving!



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Thanksgiving Trivia!

DID YOU KNOW.....

- Americans eat approximately 46 million turkeys each Thanksgiving.
- The heaviest turkey on record, according to the Guinness Book of Records, weighs 86 pounds.
- The average turkey served for Thanksgiving weighs 16 pounds.
- Campbell's Soup created green bean casserole for an annual cookbook over 50 years ago. Now, Campbell's sells about \$20 million worth of cream of mushroom soup, most likely purchased by folks making what has become a thanksgiving tradition- green bean casserole.
- Historians say turkey was not served at the first Thanksgiving dinner, a three-day meal shared between the pilgrims and Wampanoag tribe in 1621. Instead, venison and seafood are most likely what was eaten.
- The first Thanksgiving dinner was eaten with spoons and knives — but no forks! Forks weren't a popular utensil until the 18th century.
- · President Lincoln declared Thanksgiving a national holiday

in 1863, to be celebrated each year on the last Thursday of November.

- Benjamin Franklin said in a letter to his daughter in 1784 that he believed a turkey would be "a much more respectable Bird" for the young United States than the bald eagle. He said the turkey is "a true original native of America" and "a bird of courage." Franklin's take on the national bird was not popular enough to displace the bald eagle.
- In 1953, Swanson had so much extra turkey (260 tons) that a salesman told them they should package it onto aluminum trays with other sides like sweet potatoes and thus the first TV dinner was born.
- Each year, the president of the United States pardons a turkey and spares it from being eaten for Thanksgiving dinner. The first turkey pardon ceremony started with President Truman in 1947.
- The Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade began in 1924 with 400 employees marching from Convent Ave to 145th street in New York City. During this time the parade was accompanied not with oversized balloons of our favorite cartoon characters, but with live animals borrowed from the Central Park Zoo.

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Pumpkin Pie Spice Nip

INGREDIENTS

- I 15 oz can Pumpkin
- 1 Container Cool Whip
- 11/2 tsp Pumpkin pie spice
- 14 oz pkg vanilla instant pudding
- 1 regular or Cinnamon sugar Graham crackers

DIRECTIONS

- Mix all ingredients together in a medium size bowl and serve.
- To add cuteness serve in a carved out small pumpkin.





Send Us Your Masterpiece!

Color the drawing below and mail the finished artwork to us at: Peel, Inc. - Kids Club, 308 Meadowlark St, Lakeway, TX 78734-4717 We will select the top few and post their artwork on our Facebook Page - Facebook.com/Peellnc.

DUE: November 30th Name:

Be sure to include the following so we can let you know!

(first name, last initial)

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