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## January Potluck Event was a Great Success!



On January 31st, the Briarhills POA hosted a potluck social for adults in the Briarhills and Terraces on Memorial communities. The event was a great success! Those attending had a really nice time and many asked for more adult socials in the future. Be on the lookout for the next one and plan to attend! Thanks so much to all that came and brought so many delicious dishes. A special thanks to District 7 for providing appetizers and desserts. Please tell Steve, the manager, that you are a Briarhills resident the next time you visit their Energy Corridor location!

### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

#### **GOVERNMENT SERVICES**

Emergency	
Constable (Closest Law Enforcement)	
Poison Help	1-800-222-1222
Library and Community Center	
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	
	(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	
Amenity tags	
Tennis courts	
Pool parties	
Clubhouse rental	

#### 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 <u>advertising@PEELinc.com</u>. 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**

### 2019

By appointment only

### **OFFICE CONTACT**

Street Address

### BRIARHILLS AMENITIES & ELECTRONIC ACCESS CARDS

Available for the use and enjoyment of each resident is the Briarhills POA Recreation Center. The Recreation Center includes four and two-tenths (4.2) acres equipped with a swimming pool for the family, a wading pool for tots, lighted tennis courts, playground equipment, a community clubhouse, basketball court and off-street parking. Electronic access cards are required to access the pool, unisex restroom and tennis courts. Registered property owners and tenants may receive 2 cards per property address. Check the website or contact the POA office to obtain access cards.

### SWIMMING POOL

The swimming pool is normally open from Memorial Day weekend through the start of school in August, six days a week (Tuesday through Sunday). The pool is staffed with certified lifeguards during swim season and maintained by a reputable pool management company.

### TENNIS

Tennis courts must be reserved through the online reservation system at **www.briarhillspoa.org** (log-in account is required).

### COMMUNITY CENTER

The Briarhills Community Center may be reserved by residents for private events. Check the website or contact the POA office to make a reservation.

### MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS

The BPOA board meets at the Briarhills Community Center on the second Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. Residents are invited to attend these meeting where the board will discuss and make decisions on issues that will impact the Briarhills POA community.

### 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.



### A Message from the Deed Restrictions Committee: Spring is in the Air!

This is a great time of year to clean up the yards, plant new plants and give the exterior of your home a little facelift. This month the committee will be inspecting homes for chipped and worn exterior paint, rotted wood siding and mold/mildew growing on exterior brick and siding. Please take a close look at the exterior of your home and see if there are any maintenance items that need attention. The outer appearance of your home reflects on the rest of the neighborhood so please do your part to keep Briarhills beautiful!





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### **Hello Briarhills Dolphins!**

We are excited to announce that registration for the 2020 summer swim team will be open from April 1st - April 30th. Practices will be held at the Briarhills Pool starting in May.

To register and obtain more information about our team, please visit the POA's website at briarhillspoa.org and click on the link for the Dolphins Swim Team. Space is very limited so please do not wait to register.

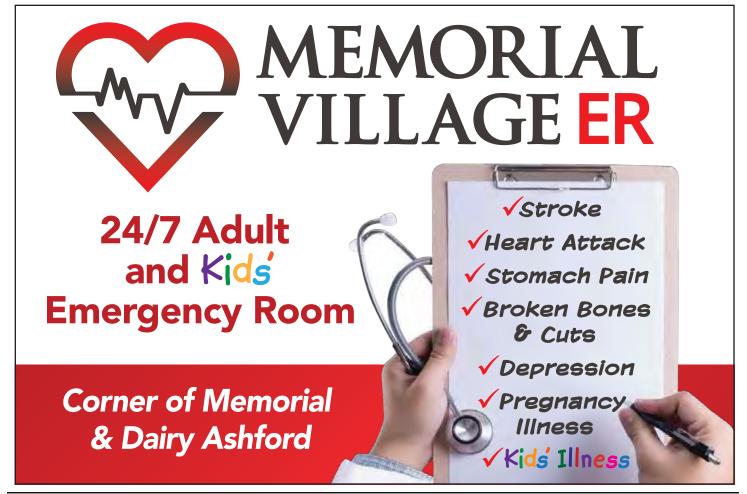
We look forward to another fun season and can't wait to see everyone at the first practice in May!

### Go Dolphins!



### **January Summary of Stats**

Burglary of a Habitation: 1 **Burglary of Motor Vehicle: 1** Open window/ Car Door: 1 **Suspicious Person: 8 Suspicious Vehicles: 4** Traffic Stops: 14 Local Alarms: 2 Alarm Report: 1 Disturbance :1 **Disturbance Fire works: 2** Discharge Firearm: 1 (Chinese New Year Fireworks) Animal Humane: 1 Meet The Citizen: 41 **Information Call: 3 Special Assignments: 12 Incident Report: 5** Park Check: 6 Contract Check 121 **Check Public Infrastructure: 1** Vacation Watch: 14 Neighborhood Check: 108 Traffic Initiative : 5 Minor Accident: 1 **DWI: 1** 



### BRIARHILLS



### February 1st Landscaping Volunteer Day

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who had time to lend a helping hand on February 1 to install our new bike rack, plant some flowers and paint the benches at the clubhouse. As the weather was cold and humid it took the paint a while to cure so we also thank everyone who was able to wait patiently for a surprising seven days until using the benches in earnest.

And we thank our neighbors, as well as the POA and HOA for their financial support.

See you at the next Briarhills Volunteer Day!





## Can You Find These Flowers In Our Garden?





Thanks to all of you who help beautifying our clubhouse areal



These flowers are currently blooming around our clubhouse







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### BRIARHILLS

## **OUTDOOR EDUCATION**

#### SUNDAY MARCH 1, 2020 @ 9AM BUFFALO BAYOU KAYAKING TRAINING DAY

Coaching and kayak outfitting for a tour and training day on the course of the Buffalo Bayou Regatta.

Details here: https://www.oakgeosciences.com/regatta

#### SATURDAY MARCH 7, 2020 @ 7AM| BUFFALO BAYOU REGATTA, 48TH EDITION

Contact Constantin Platon for details (832-686-3231)

Briarhills residents father-son race in the Buffalo Bayou Regatta





#### MARCH 10, 2020 @ 7PM PRESENTATION: EXPLORE WEST TEXAS: EXPERIENCE BIG BEND RANCH STATE PARK



View of Rio Grande bordering Mexico on the right-side bank and the United States on the left bank Join Constantin Platon, a Briarhills resident, geologist and outdoor educator specialist, for a class to discover one of the best spots to recreate in West Texas: Big Bend Ranch State Park. Big Bend is the largest park land in the whole state of Texas and is little known and shadowed by the more famous Big Bend National Park. We will share first-hand knowledge of the

park and give you the tips you will need to enjoy your time in the wilderness of Big Bend. Highlights of the class and the park include the geology of Big Bend, Rio Grande River, biking, camping and hiking infrastructure, natural history, wildlife, the Texas desert and stars that are big and bright. Class is free of charge.

#### MARCH 15-21, 2020 | ANNUAL SPRING BREAK EXPEDITION: BIG BEND

What are your plans for this year's Spring Break?

Join us! Big Bend and West Texas Spring Break Expedition Details at: https://www.oakgeosciences.com/spring-break-exp



Briarhills residents on top of the highest summit in Texas at Guadalupe Peak, Spring Break Expedition 2019

#### MARCH 26, 2020 @ 7PM PRESENTATION: TEXAS FAMILY WEEKEND CAR-CAMPING



Family car-camping trip, kids and the 4-person tent

In this free session, Briarhills resident and outdoor educator Constantin Platon will address a subject in which many neighbors have expressed interest: Texas Family Car Camping. This presentation serves as a technical introduction to Briarhills Park Campout on the following night (Friday March 27, 2020). We will address car-camping gear and discuss logistics and activities for families with kids car-camping trips.

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