

BRAEBURN VALLEY WEST

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May/June 2016
Community Newsletter



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Trash Pickup: *Every Thursday*
Recycling: *5/12, 5/26, 6/9, 6/23*
TREE WASTE PICK UP: *Friday, 5/13*
JUNK WASTE PICK UP: *Friday, 6/10*

Pool Band Pick-up Dates/Times @ the BVW Clubhouse:

Saturday, May 7 - 9-11am
Thursday, May 12 - 5-8pm (before/during
monthly neighborhood meeting)
Saturday, May 14 - 9-11am
Saturday, May 21 - 9-11am
Saturday, May 28 - 10a-12n
Monday, May 30 - 10a-12n
Thursday, June 9 - 6:30-8:30pm
SEE PAGES 2-3 FOR MORE DETAILS!

Info at a Glance:

Monthly Board of Directors Meetings
May 12th @ 7pm, at neighborhood
clubhouse

**Come early at 6:30 to talk with board
members and our constable officers!**

**Constable dispatch number
713-643-6602**

Sterling ASI (Management Company):
832-678-5390 (Ask for Ry)
ry@sterlingasi.com

BRAEBURN VALLEY WEST

ANNUAL MEETING

JUNE 9, 6:30-8:30PM

Come hear about the exciting new developments your
BVW board is working on to improve our
neighborhood, as well as hear from community
leaders. This will also be your last chance to pick up
your pool tags in person!
We look forward to seeing you all there!



Come out to celebrate Independence Day with
BVW! We will have James Coney Island catered
lunch in the park after our inaugural July 4th
neighborhood parade! Check our new website and
the next newsletter for more details!

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SERVICES

EMERGENCY - 911

City Services - 311

Constable Dispatch - 713.643.6602

Houston Police - 713.884.3131

Houston Fire Dept. - 832.394.6700

HPD Bellfort Storefront - 713.773.7550

HPD Command Station - 832.394.4700

Anti-Gang (graffiti) - 713.247.1576

Harris Co. Flood Control - 713.684.4000

Animal Control - 713-229-7300

Join us on Facebook!

If you have access to the internet and are a member of Facebook, look up our neighborhood association and ask to join. Although it's not an official association site, we post reminders about trash pick up, neighborhood garage sale dates, lost & found pets and other social information about the neighborhood and surrounding area. Search for "Braeburn Valley West" or go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/58551251173/>

Government Representation

U.S. Senators - John Cornyn, Ted Cruz

U.S. Representative - Al Green

Texas State Senator - Rodney Ellis

Texas State Representative - Alma A. Allen

Texas State Board of Education - Lawrence A. Allen, Jr.

Houston City Council, District J - Mike Laster

County Commissioner - pending

Community Outreach/Organizations

Southwest Houston 2000: www.swhouston2000.org/;

monthly meeting on fourth Thursday, 7:30am, @

Braeswood Assembly of God - Youth Annex, 2nd Floor

Super Neighborhood #36: monthly meeting on first

Tuesday, 7pm, Braeswood Assembly of God Church -

Student Ministries Building, 10611 Fondren Road

Brays Oaks Management District: www.braysoaksmd.org



Pool Season is almost here!

Please complete the Pool Wrist Band Form on page 3 and bring it to one of the pick-up dates listed on the front page to pick up your bands!

We strongly recommend you pick up your passes in person to avoid processing/mailling fees.

2016 Pool Hours

The pool opens May 28-30, then again on June 4 for the summer.

Sunday: 1p-8p

Monday: closed

Tuesday: 10a-8p

Wednesday: 10a-8p

Thursday: 10a-8p

Friday: 10a-8p

Saturday: 10a-8p

**BRAEBURN VALLEY WEST CIVIC ASSOCIATION
Pool Wrist Band Issue/Replacement Form**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

EMAIL: _____

Family Members (Residing in your home): Please do not list adult children who do not live with you; they will be considered your guest(s). Children 3 and over will need to have a pool wrist band to enter into the facility.

<u>Family Member Names</u>	<u>Ages</u>
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____

- All family members and guests must follow the pool rules that are posted at the pool.
- You are allowed up to five bands per household and each band will allow entry for one person. If you want guests, you must purchase additional wrist bands (\$5/each) up to a total of 10 per household.
- Pool bands will not be issued to members in arrears of their maintenance assessment charge in accordance with the Declaration and prior notification. If you are not sure if your assessment have been paid call 832-678-4500 to avoid any delays.
- If you're a homeowner please bring a valid ID showing your current address in the neighborhood.
- If you are a tenant, please bring a copy of your current lease along with a valid ID.
- Registration AFTER on-site registration is \$10.00 Administration Fee and forms may be processed via any of the mediums provided: e-mail, mail or at the office (information below).
- **ON-SITE REGISTRATION AT THE POOL --- 2016 – May 7th, 9am to 11am; May 12th; 5pm to 8pm; May 14th, 9am to 11am; May 21st 9am to 11am; May 28th 10am to 12pm, May 30th, 10am to 12pm and the Final Registration day will be June 9th from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.**

If you are not able to attend the pool registration please fill out the above information and mail this form along with your check. Check should be made out to Braeburn Valley West, for \$4.00 per each pool tag plus \$10.00 one-time registration fee to the following address:

**Braeburn Valley West
c/o Sterling ASI
11201 Lake Woodbridge Drive
Sugar Land, Texas 77498**

PROTECT YOUR PRIVATE INFORMATION

Recently I attended a PIP meeting at our local HPD Store Front where they had a very interesting speaker talking about different ways thieves are trying to scam people and steal their identity. It was extremely informative so I wanted to share it with the HOA. The National Crime Prevention Council put together a report suggesting ways to protect your private information. - Karen Dollahon, BVW Board President

Watch for Scams:

Do business only with companies you know; do not give out your credit card number to make a purchase or reservation unless you initiate the transaction.

Be leery of door to door salesman with high pressure sales tactics. Do business with companies you know with references and liability insurance you can call and verify.

Shop only at secure websites that use encryption software to transfer data from your computer to the merchant and that have strong privacy and security policies.

Do not respond to emails asking you to "update" your credit card information even if they appear to be from the company that issued you the credit card. Call the company directly to verify what information is needed.

If you receive pre-approved credit card offers in the mail, do not throw them in the trash without shredding them first.

If you are expecting new credit cards in the mail and they do not arrive, or you do not receive your bills at the expected time, call the credit card issuer immediately.

Check your credit card bills carefully for several months after purchasing on the Internet. If you find purchases you did not make, immediately contact the credit card company and file a dispute claim.

Get a copy of your credit report once a year and review it for any unexpected activity.

Grandparent Scam is a scam currently played on seniors when the caller pretends to be a grandchild needing money for an emergency and asks them to send prepaid money cards.

IRS Scam a person calls you pretending to be an agent claiming you owe the government money and unless paid, they claim they will send over a deputy to arrest you.

The entire report will be posted on our community website with more information and links on how to report illegal activity.

Making Some Exterior Improvements to your Home?

Be sure to fill out an ACC Application! You can get a copy on our management website at www.sterlingasi.net or call their office at 832-678-5390. The form is also available on our new community website, www.braeburnvalleywest.com



City Services

- Heavy Tree Waste pickup is the 2nd Friday of each **ODD** month
- Heavy Junk Waste pickup is the 2nd Friday of each **EVEN** month
- Place tree waste/junk waste can be set out by the curb between 6pm the Friday before and 7am on collection day.
- Grass clippings and leaves must be bagged in City of Houston-approved biodegradable bags and is collected weekly with regular trash pickup.
- City Trash Collection occurs every Thursday.
- Recycling occurs every other Thursday

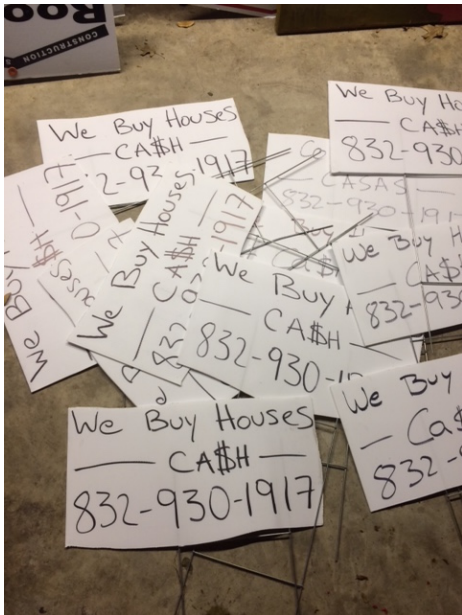
Pay Assessment online at SterlingASI.net

On this site, you can pay your assessments, view association documents, download an ACC application and more. One of the reasons we changed management companies was because we wanted to improve the communication between the management company and the members of our HOA. Sterling ASI has a very efficient website that is not difficult to navigate but to access your account information, you must have your pre-issued account information you received last year when the change in management companies went into effect. If you have misplaced that information you can call their office and you can retrieve that information.

Houston Bike Plan Updates

The Neighborhood to Trails group is still actively working to construct bike trails throughout the city of Houston. Please check out the map on the following page to see the proposed routes. Also, here is a link to an editorial from the Houston Chronicle: <http://www.chron.com/neighborhood/bellaire/news/article/Residents-in-Brays-Oaks-area-assist-in-trails-6229043.php>

Recently there has been an increase in "bandit signs" appearing in the neighborhood. Please do not place these signs in your yard, and if you see them, please help us make our neighborhood great by working to remove them!



CONSTABLE REPORT

The Constable Report was not available when we sent the newsletter to print, but it will be available for viewing soon on the association website: www.braeburnvalleywest.com

We seem to have had fewer incidents involving cars being opened/things being taken from unlocked cars in the neighborhood - keep up the great work and stay vigilant!



Check out our new website!

Braeburn Valley West has an official website:

www.braeburnvalleywest.com

Log on to read past newsletters, view announcements about upcoming events, see pictures of the neighborhood, and more!

Recycling Guidelines!

You may remember receiving a card from the City of Houston regarding new recycling guidelines. Please see below for a visual guide to recyclables.

Please make sure to place your trash can and your recycling receptacle **AT LEAST 3 feet** apart to facilitate collection.

Acceptable Items



METAL AND CANS **PLASTICS #1-7** **CARDBOARD & CARTONS** **PAPER & NEWSPAPER**

METAL and CANS:
Aluminum and Tin Cans (rinsed drained)

PLASTICS:
Plastic Containers #1 - 5 and 7 (rinsed drained)

CARDBOARD and CARTONS:
Carton - Shelf-Stable & Refrigerated Corrugated Cardboard (Flattened)

PAPER:
Paper, Newspaper, Catalogs, Magazines and Phone Books

GLASS:
Effective immediately, **glass is no longer accepted in the green curbside recycling bin.** You may still recycle glass at all City of Houston drop-off locations.



NO GLASS

The City of Houston Recycling program will **NO LONGER** accept **GLASS** in the **Green Curbside Recycling Program**. For more information see tabs below.



Friendly Reminder

It is now prohibited by a city ordinance to park on the grass/lawn of homes in Braeburn Valley West. The city will be patrolling the neighborhood and will issue citations if they see vehicles parked illegally.

Got Cracks in Your Brickwork?



**Most of our homes in BVW do even if the slab has been leveled.
Cooler weather is here and cracks are doorways for spiders,
roaches and rodents.**

WE FIX CRACKS

Match mortar color with over 40 years experience.

WE STOP FIREPLACE LEAKS

**Guaranteed! Family owned and operated.
Residents in BVW since 1978**

**Call Woody Wooldridge
Over 40 Years Experience**

832.661.4502

**Chimney cleaning, pressure washing, and handyman services available.
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Free Estimates

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281-499-9690

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