

BRAEBURN VALLEY WEST

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July/August 2016
Community Newsletter



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Trash Pickup: *Every Thursday*

Recycling: 7/7, 7/21, 8/4, 8/18, 9/1

TREE WASTE PICK UP: *Friday, 7/8*

JUNK WASTE PICK UP: *Friday, 8/12*

Tree waste may be placed out during Junk Waste months, but it may be dumped together with the Junk Waste. If you want to ensure your tree waste is recycled, please hold it for Tree Waste collection months.

If you notice anyone dumping trash or junk waste in the neighborhood, please call the constable with a description of the vehicle so we can stop illegal dumping! Thank you!

Info at a Glance:

Monthly Board of Directors Meetings
July 14th @ 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)
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President's Letter

I want to thank everyone who submitted proxies for our annual meeting. Although we missed seeing you at the meeting, thanks to the proxies, we had a quorum! I am pleased to announce that Rodney Clements and Sally Bercu were reelected to the board for another three year term. They are both very committed to our homeowners association and have done a tremendous job. They are owed our deepest thanks for their willingness to continue serving our association.

We had a good turnout with very informative speakers updating us on the year's events in the community and surrounding area: Mike Bercu with Southwest 2000, Nancy Letness with Super Neighborhood 36, our City Councilman from district J - Mike Laster, who gave us a lengthy update about some concerns as well as some exciting events that are taking place, and Constable May Walker, along with our new Sergeant, to update us on current information in their department and discussing the different services that are available through their department. They encouraged members of the community to take advantage of their programs: Vacation Watch, Patrol Alert, Accident Report, See Something Suspicious, Senior Programs & Victim Assistance programs. Monthly reports can also be viewed online in their entirety. Please visit their new website at: constable7.harriscountytexas.gov/pages/default.aspx

I hope everyone has a great summer and don't forget to check out the details for our Independence Day Parade and Party on July 4th for FOOD, FUN & GAMES! It will be a blast! See page 3 for 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 - Rodney Ellis

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.braysoaksmid.org



Pool Season is here!

Please remember a few simple guidelines to make your pool experience as pleasant and easy as possible:

*Wristbands must be worn at all times.

*Bathing suits must be worn at all times. You may wear a dry-fit top as well.

*The lifeguards are there for your safety. Please follow their instructions.

2016 Pool Hours (through Labor Day)

Sunday: 1p-8p

Monday: closed

Tuesday: 10a-8p

Wednesday: 10a-8p

Thursday: 10a-8p

Friday: 10a-8p

Saturday: 10a-8p

These hours are in effect until school resumes; once school is in session, the pool will be open weekends only until Labor Day.

Park reminders: The BVW park is open during daylight hours (dawn to dark) and is only intended to be used by BVW residents and their guests.



**4TH
OF
JULY**

NEIGHBORHOOD PARTY & PARADE

*FOOD, FUN, GAMES
& PRIZES*



BICYCLE PARADE

MEET AT THE PARK AT 9AM TO DECORATE
YOUR BIKE! PARADE STARTS SHORTLY AFTER

MEET THE CONSTABLES & FIRE DEPARTMENT



FREE LUNCH @ 11:30

FOR ASSOCIATION MEMBERS ONLY
CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED
BY PARENTS, ID REQUIRED
(while supplies last)



OPEN SWIM TO FOLLOW

POOL GAMES & PRIZES

There was an interesting article recently in the Houston Chronicle about a BVW Resident, Aaron White.

Please check it out!

"Life Flight paramedic takes to the skies to save people's lives"

<http://www.chron.com/neighborhood/bellaire/news/articleComments/Life-Flight-paramedic-takes-to-the-skies-to-save-8317550.php>

If you know of any other awesome stories in our neighborhood, please forward them to dewhirst.bvw@gmail.com to be included in a future newsletter.

Important notice regarding the newsletter:

We have been printing and hand-delivering the newsletter to your homes, but in the interest of using our resources wisely (and saving the Association some money), we will be moving towards an online-only newsletter **beginning with the January 2017 newsletter**. It will be uploaded to our neighborhood website to be viewed and downloaded by residents. If you do not have easy access to the internet, you may contact Sterling ASI to request that a newsletter be mailed to your home.

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



Did you know?

Southwest Houston has lots of pretty amazing things, but one that is pretty special is the Plant It Forward Farm Share program. Some information about the program:

Plant It Forward Farms invites you to enjoy your own weekly box of our fresh, local produce through our Farm Share program which helps ensure our efforts to give newly arrived refugees access to the American dream. You, the socially and environmentally conscious consumer, will be supporting local refugee farmers and their families to earn a living wage by farming sustainably on urban farms in Houston.

It is located on Willowbend near Fondren, and you can support the program by purchasing shares. <http://plant-it-forward.org/our-produce/farm-share/>



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.

Update on the Bike Trail Initiative

The mission statement for Neighborhoods to Trails - Southwest (NTTSW) is to develop hike and bike trail to provide safe, economical, and environmentally friendly transportation from Brays Bayou Trail system to destinations of southwest Houston. The overall goal is to connect communities and neighborhoods including parks, schools, community centers, places of worship, and retail to three bayous: Brays, Keegan's and Willow Waterhole Bayou by creating walking, hiking, and bike connector trails. **Please go to www.nttsw.org and send a comment about proposed trail connections.** Specifically, we are hoping to connect the bayou trail behind our neighborhood to other areas nearby by updating the path from that trail to the entrance on Willow Meadow and southward towards W. Bellfort.



CONSTABLE REPORT

There were two incident reports for May 2016:

May 8 - 10700 Valley Hills Drive (outside of BVW) - **Criminal Mischief** - Deputy was dispatched to a criminal mischief call. Upon arrival, a property damage report was initiated.

May 16 - 7800 block of Portal Drive - **Outstanding Warrant Arrest** - Deputy was dispatched to conduct a security check and observed a vehicle at a closed school parking lot. Upon making contact, the driver was found to have an outstanding warrant from Harris County Constable's Office Precinct 4. The suspect was arrested and transported.

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!



Congratulations to ALL of the graduates from Braeburn Valley West! We wish you the best of luck on your next steps, whether you are heading off to continue your education, begin a new career, or wherever your life takes you!

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.**

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