



Brentwood Hills HOA

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Radars Signs for Speeding = Safety

You may have noticed a few months ago that we had “radar signs” posted on Mt Carmel and Brentwood Hills Blvds. Due to a misunderstanding with the county as to required permitting, we were required to take those signs down.

The purpose of putting up those signs was to, hopefully, get the speeders to slow down in our community to provide for a safer environment for our children and our walkers. We have been trying to get the county to tell us exactly what is needed for permits so we can reinstall our signs. To date, and its now been over six months, they have basically refused to deal with us. When the signs were



up, there was a marked decrease in the overall speeds going through our neighborhood. We fail to understand why the county is more interested in their bureaucratic red tape than the safety of our children and residents.

To that end, we are asking all of the residents to contact your local county commissioner and plead for him to intervene on our behalf. We would hate that the call to

action only comes after a speeding vehicle has struck someone, especially a child! We had three accidents in December, two on Mt Carmel and one of Lumsden, directly related to excessive speed.

Annual General Membership Meeting

Our annual General Membership Meeting and election of Directors will be held on Monday, March 16 beginning at 7:00 pm. There are two board seats up for election; and another existing board position currently vacant. You should have received the first mailing about the meeting and election, with another coming soon to provide you with the proxy and ballot. To



hold the general membership meeting, and, therefore, to be able to elect directors, we need a quorum of at least 208 homes represented at the meeting either in person or by proxy. We must also receive at least 208 properly completed ballots. This is your chance to have a say in the leadership of your community.

UPCOMING EVENTS

* **Saturday, April 4:** Our annual Kid’s Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 4. The event will start at 11:00 am and run till 1:00 pm. All children are invited. There will be refreshments, crafts, games, and, of course, the Easter egg hunt itself. Be there by 11:00 am to get in on the fun.



* **Saturday, May 2:** We anticipate the pool being open by the end of March. We are planning a Grand Re-Opening Celebration for Saturday, May 2. If you haven’t already been to the pool to see the new look, then make it a point to join us for the Celebration. We are going to fire up our new outdoor kitchen and cook hot dogs for all that want to come; drinks will also be provided.

* **Third Tuesday of the Month,** your Board of Directors meet at 7:00 pm at the pool facility. Please join us so we can hear your thoughts and ideas about how we are doing, and about what we are doing for the community.

* **TUESDAY NIGHTS:** A “Fitness Club” meets at the pool facility every Tuesday night at 7:00pm. Attendance is free. Grab your sneakers and come check them out!

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Community Notes:

STAY INFORMED:

You can get the most up to date information about your community and what is happening by "liking" us on Facebook, or by going to our community website: www.mybhhoa.com. There you will also find an email link directly to the president of the association and well as to McNeil Management. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact them directly.

PARKING REMINDERS:

Our covenants prohibit parking in the street overnight and/or parking on unpaved surfaces like the grass surrounding each home. Please use only your driveway and/or garage for parking. In addition, our streets are very narrow, so having cars parked on both sides of the street makes traveling down those streets difficult. Please be courteous and make room for vehicles traveling down your street. This includes parking at or near corners when picking up your child from the school bus. Make sure there is room for normal traffic flow.

Under Renovation and Almost Done!

You all know that our pool and facility has been under renovation since November. We are making good progress. Both of the bathrooms are now completely redone, with ADA accessible toilets and showers in both bathrooms. You will notice new tile and paint as well. Also, our outdoor kitchen is complete with a "conversation pit" under an awning. The furniture for that will

arrive in the next few weeks. The pool is supposed to be complete by the time you read this with lap lanes established for you early morning swimmers. We are also refurbishing all of the picnic tables, and we have had all of the lounge chairs re-straped. We are looking to add a few more umbrellas to give some much-needed shade in the summer.

The Pool is Almost Ready—Check Your Cards

We are still in the process of updating the information on each homeowner/resident's pool access card. Each address is allowed one pool access card. Due to a high turnover of residents, particularly with our renters, we have found a multitude of addresses with



as many as four access cards registered. Our pool attendant has gone

through all of our records, and tried to determine which access card is most current. She then has deactivated all other cards for that address. The process is not perfect, so if you find your card deactivated, please go to the pool office to have your records updated. The attendant is on duty from 1:00 pm till 6:00 pm every day.

Home Improvements—Plan Ahead

The architectural standards for our community are detailed within the governing documents. ANY and ALL changes you intend to make that affect the outside appearance of your home or yard are governed by the ACC rules. That means you MUST submit a written request and get approval in writing before attempting to make any changes, repaint, reroof, put in a fence, etc. You

can download the form from our website: www.mybhhoa.com; or pick one up from the pool office. There are color books in the office, as well, if you are thinking of repainting the exterior of your house. Once the ACC request form is filled out, it can be turned in to the office or submitted to McNeil Management.



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