



Brentwood Hills HOA

WINTER 2015



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Annual HOA Christmas Party

Our annual Christmas party will be held December 12th from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. We are very excited about this year's party! Santa will be stopping by at 6:00 p.m. to talk and sing Christmas songs with the children...yes, we said "sing!". Parents are encouraged to bring their



video cameras to capture this once in a lifetime chance to have their little ones sing Christmas carol karaoke with Santa Claus! There will be light party food (hot dogs, chips and desserts) and goody bags for each child. We will also have Christmas

New Amenities and Winter Hours at the Pool

Make sure to stop by soon to check out our new amenities! In addition to the pool, tennis courts, two playgrounds and the athletic field, we have a new grass volleyball court, horseshoes, and corn hole games available. Just check in with the office to play!

The pool has moved to our winter hours as of

November 16th. The pool will be open from 9:00 a.m. -6:00 p.m. every day except for Friday when we'll be open until 10:00 p.m. so that we may continue our much-loved tradition of Friday Movie Night. Pool staff will be on-site from 11:00 a.m. to close during the week, and from open to close on the

Quarterly Assessments Reduced

Your Board of Directors has consistently worked to get the most value out of your dues dollars. To that end, we have paid cash for all renovations and projects completed over the past three years. We have one major project remaining - the exterior monuments at our

entrances. The cash is already on hand to complete that project.

Thanks to the financial diligence of the Board we are now able to reduce all quarterly assessments to \$145,



UPCOMING EVENTS

* **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12th:** Annual Christmas party. Details to the ← right.

* **3rd MONDAY OF THE MONTH:** your Board of Directors meets 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 what we are doing for the community.

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

* **FRIDAY NIGHTS:** Family friendly movie night at 7:30 pm with FREE popcorn. Check our Facebook page to find out which movie we'll be showing each week!

* **SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS:** If you are interested in helping the Social Committee with decorating or planning for future events, please stop by the office at the pool to speak with the staff. We need as much help as we can get!

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Community Notes:

STAY

INFORMED: Our attendants update our Facebook page regularly, so "Like" us and keep up-to-date with the happenings/ events at Brentwood Hills. You can find a direct link to our Facebook page on our website. Our "Movie Nights" are a big success. Come on out on Friday night for a family friendly movie and free popcorn. Each week's movie is listed on Facebook.

PARKING REMINDERS:

please remember that parking on grass anytime, or parking in the street overnight, is not allowed. We know that can be difficult when you've got guests visiting for the holidays, but because of the narrow roads here, parked cars can quickly become a safety issue, especially at night.

Yard of the Month Program Returns

It's time to break out those rakes and trowels, and do any paint touchups that are needed! Together, the Architectural Control Committee and the Social Committee will soon be reinstating our "Yard of the Month" program.

This was a popular monthly event several years ago, so we're looking forward to getting it



going again! One property will be selected from each section that is aesthetically outstanding. Out of those 5, one will be selected to win a "top prize" in the form of a gift card to a local business or restaurant.

All of the winning properties will receive a small yard placard declaring them to be that section's "Yard of the Month". Property owners must

Roofing Standards Updated

During the November meeting, a change in roofing standards was agreed upon by the Board.

For asphalt shingles, 3 dimensional shingles are the new standard, with 1 dimensional flat shingles (three-tab) no longer being allowed. The approved colors are Slate, Weathered Wood, Shakewood, Hickory, Sunrise Brick, and Driftwood. These colors may be viewed at

www.gaf.com/roofing.

For tile roofs, the approved colors are Cloud Grey, Mahogany Eleganza, Pioneer Orange, Rustic Red, Sandy Brown, Terracotta Classic, Metallic Clay, and Pioneer Red. These colors may be viewed at www.polycarbonatedome.com.

Please remember that a shingle roof must stay a shingle roof, and a terracotta tile roof must stay tile!



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2016 Calendar:

Listed below are the tentative dates for our HOA social activities in 2016.

***Easter Egg Hunt** -
Saturday, March 26

***Spring Community Garage Sale** -
Saturday, May 7

***Summer Bash** -
Monday, July 4

***Fall Community Garage Sale** -
Saturday, October 1

***Halloween Bash** -
Saturday, October 29

***Santa's Visit** -
Saturday,
December 10

Welcome Two New Board Members:

Your Board of Directors would like to welcome Dove Swinsky and Suzette Foister to the Board of Directors! Dove has taken on the roll of chairperson for the Architectural Control Committee, and Suzette has been, and will continue to be, very involved with the Social Committee. With these additions we expect the Board of Directors to be mind-blowingly awesome from this point forward.

Holiday and Year Round Maintenance/Improvements

We appreciate everyone's efforts, and would like to say "Thank You!" to all the people who work so hard to keep their homes looking nice. Let's all work together to make our neighborhood as clean and beautiful as possible going into this holiday season and throughout the year!

Remember, the Architectural Control Committee must approve all changes to the exterior of your

home BEFORE work can begin! This includes painting, landscaping, roof installations, etc. Forms can be downloaded from the community website, www.MYBHHA.com, or picked up at the office.

This board is adamant about each property being maintained to the standards set forth in our covenants. We continue to inspect on a regular basis; and, if delinquencies are found, expect to receive a notice from McNeil

Trimming Crape Myrtles Is Not Recommended

The question has arisen whether to trim your crape myrtles back in the winter. We reached out to the University of Florida IFAS extension and learned occasional pruning for a desired shape is fine but butchering back to



stubs or "knobs" is not. New growth from these points is actually structurally weak and leaves the tree more susceptible to fungus disease.

Visit their website for more information at <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu>.

Protect Your Pet - Use a Leash

County law states that all pets must remain on leashes when out in public. Several dogs have recently been spotted running free in the area, usually with their owner nearby. Please remember that we do have an issue with speeding cars along Mt. Carmel and Brentwood Hills

Blvd. We would all hate to have a tragic accident because a squirrel across the road caught the attention of a dog that wasn't properly leashed. And please remember to carry bags to clean up after your pet, especially inside a neighborhood.