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# BENT TREE BLUFFS NEWS

Spring 2022

## HOA MEETING

**THURS. MAY 12TH, 7:00 PM, AT LEE'S SUMMIT  
BAPTIST TEMPLE, 2614 NW CHIPMAN ROAD**

Bring your questions, comments, suggestions and any offers to help out with managing our Bent Tree Bluffs Homeowners Association.

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## BTB GARAGE SALES

**Thurs.-Sat. April 28, 29, & 30**

**Start gathering the stuff you are no longer  
using so it can find a new home!**

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## HELP WANTED!

Larry and Barbara Reed and Angie Leonard have been serving on the Pool Committee since 2018. They are more than ready to turn over these responsibilities to others. We need some BTB residents to step up! Please consider rolling up your sleeves and lending a hand.

Also, we are looking for a new Social Events Coordinator to plan things like Easter Egg Hunts and 4th of July Parades—or whatever fun, social activity you think BTB residents would enjoy.

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## NEWS AFFECTING BTB RESIDENTS

**As of January 4th, Bent Tree Bluffs has been placed in City Council District 3. Each district has different candidates running for City Council. Click [here](#) for City Council District map.**

**Starting in the fall, Pleasant Lea Middle School will be the middle school for BTB kids instead of Bernard Campbell. BTB kids will still attend Cedar Creek Elementary and Lee's Summit North High School.**

## Services Offered by BTB Kids

### YARD WORK/MOWING/SNOW RE-MOVAL:

Jacob & Bradley Poletis 816-564-6453

Jose Herrera 816-803-8060

Ty Bleckinger 816-274-1547

Brooks Bilton 816-226-3562

### BABYSITTING:

Delaney Boulden 527-5567

Morgan Hubert 816-944-7270

Brooklyn Whitefield 913-710-4263

### PET CARE:

Delaney Boulden 816-527-5567

Brooklyn Whitefield 913-710-4263

Alaina O'Dell 816-317-4335

Morgan Hubert 816-944-7270

Brooks Bilton 816-226-3562

### PLANT CARE:

Morgan Hubert 816-944-7270

Brooklyn Whitefield 913-710-4263

Delaney Boulden 816-527-5567

### Complimentary Math Tutoring Services Offered for BTB kids (2<sup>nd</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> Grade)

Charles "Chip" Reach, PhD-Engineering  
[cdreach@gmail.com](mailto:cdreach@gmail.com)

## 50 Hwy Bridges over Chipman to be Replaced

MoDot is planning to replace the 50 Highway bridges that go over Chipman Rd. According to the MoDOT website the bridges have "reached the end of their functional lives."

For Bent Tree Bluffs residents, the biggest impact will be the closing of Chipman Rd to allow the bridges to be replaced as quickly as possible. As of 3/14/2022 the MoDOT website said the closure of Chipman Rd will begin on April 11th and last until mid-July.

50 Highway traffic will be diverted to the exit and entrance ramps going to and from Chipman Rd. There will be ramp closures from Chipman to 50 Hwy from March 22 to April 8. BTB residents will have to find new ways to get on and off 50 Highway.

The new bridges will allow more vertical clearance on Chipman. Also there will be sidewalks and a 'shared-use path' along Chipman under the bridge.

You can visit the MoDOT website at <https://www.modot.org/us-50-over-chipman-rd> to stay up-to-date on the project.

## What about the One-lane Bridge over Chipman Road?

With Chipman Road closing eastbound at 50 Highway, Bent Tree Bluffs residents have an additional concern about Chipman closing westbound due to the replacement of the one-lane bridge over Chipman Road with a pedestrian bridge. Will BTB residents be locked in with only one escape via Pryor Road?

Lee's Summit Senior Staff Engineer, Craig Kohler, says that the replacement of the one-lane bridge has been delayed due to the process of filing condemnation on 3 properties. Once this process is complete, they will have to relocate some utilities. Currently, they do not expect construction to begin until 5 months after the condemnation, which should be towards the end of the 50 Highway bridge project.

## Swimming Pool

Pool number: 816-524-9493

Larry & Barbara Reed 816-679-7655

Treasurer ????

[benttreebluffspool@gmail.com](mailto:benttreebluffspool@gmail.com)

## Social Events Coordinator

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## Enhancements Committee

Julie Sellers 573-746-0148

## Garage Sales

Marilyn Campbell 816-525-3848

## Website & Newsletter

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*Also check out our Facebook page!*

## **ARCHITECTURAL COM. REPORT**

The Architectural Committee wants to remind homeowners that they do not need to submit approval forms for window replacements or new driveways that will have the same footprint as the old one.

You do need to submit an approval form for all exterior painting along with paint choices and color samples even if you are not changing colors.

Also submit for large playsets, fences, decks, patios and major landscaping.

Approval forms are on the website.

## **Electric Power Infrastructure Replacement— When will the trucks go away?**

Utility trucks have been scattered around Bent Tree Bluffs for the last several months. These are different utility trucks than the ones we saw last fall installing anodes on our water mains to protect them from corrosion. These are Capital Electric trucks. What are they doing?

We spoke with Capital Electric workers to find out what they are up to. They are working for Evergy installing conduits and new power lines. The old power lines were not protected by conduits. The new conduits should help the power lines to last longer, and when they do need replacing, it will be a much easier process.

Capital Electric is using a combination of water and drilling to clear out a passage for the conduits. That is why you see trucks with water tanks on them. The large tubes are pulling the water and dirt out of the holes. Then the conduit and wire is installed.

Thank you Evergy and Capital Electric for giving us reliable electric power.



## **BTB Stingrays Preparing for 2022 Season**

On your mark, get set, go! The BTB Stingrays season begins May 31st and lasts until July 17th. You can sign up to be part of the team between April 19th and May 17th. Go to [btbstingrays.com](http://btbstingrays.com) during that time period to register. All BTB kids between the ages of 5-18 may join as well as any grandchild of a BTB resident. Additionally, any resident that lives within the boundaries of Cedar Creek Elementary and does not live in Winterset may join.

Kids don't need to be great swimmers to join. Coaches will teach them all the strokes. They will go from dog paddling to finishing races in 6-8 weeks!

Being on the BTB Stingrays team helps our kids to make friends and stay in shape. Several kids on our BTB Stingrays team have even gone on to compete on high school swim teams and receive scholarships from colleges and universities.



## E V E N T S

**Emerald Isle Parade**—March 19th, noon to 2pm

**Lee's Summit Farmer's Market**—Every Wednesday and Saturday, April 2nd to November 19th from 8am to noon.

**Downtown Wine Walk**—Saturday April 2nd at 1pm. Meet at Elevate 114 (114 SE Douglas) to pick up lanyard, map, gift bag, and keepsake wine glass. Purchase tickets in advance (\$35 each)

**Downtown Bunny Hop**—April 16th (Sat.) Join the Easter Bunny for a hopping parade down 3rd Street. Children and families can line up at City Hall Plaza (220 SE Green St) starting at 9:45AM to hop down to Howard Station Park. The Easter Bunny will be available for pictures with children until 11:30 a.m. in the park. Downtown businesses will also participate by handing out candy after the parade. Bring your Easter basket and join in the fun!

**Fourth Friday Art Walks**—April 22, May 27, June 24, July 22, August 26, 5pm to 8pm. The Fourth Fridays Art Walk features over a dozen artist pop-ups and showcases inside Downtown Lee's Summit businesses on 3rd Street and Main Street.

**Downtown Days**—June 3rd-noon to 10pm, June 4th-10am to 10pm, June 5th-11am to 4pm. FREE Downtown Days Festival includes free live entertainment, carnival rides, sports zone, festival food, handcrafted goods, two craft beer tents and so much more. This is a fundraiser for Downtown Lee's Summit Main Street, a 501c3 nonprofit organization dedicated to the revitalization of Downtown Lee's Summit.

Go to <https://downtownls.org/events/> to get more information about Lee's Summit events.

## CONTACT INFO NEEDED!

Sometimes we need to contact our BTB residents. We need your telephone numbers and email addresses. Please contact us at [benttreebluffshoa@gmail.com](mailto:benttreebluffshoa@gmail.com) to make sure we have current, accurate contact information.

## Coming soon—New BTB Directory

Also we are hoping to publish a new BTB phone directory soon. But we can't do it without your help! We need to know which telephone numbers, if any, you want us to publish in the directory. We will not publish any homeowners' email addresses.

We can also use some help with the design and layout of the directory.

And if you would like to place an ad in the directory, please contact us at [benttreebluffshoa@gmail.com](mailto:benttreebluffshoa@gmail.com).

## Thank you, Doug & Liz Worth!

We wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you to Doug & Liz Worth for all they have contributed to our Bent Tree Bluffs Homeowners Association while they have lived here.

Doug served as president of our HOA for over two years, stepping down in April of 2008. During that time one of the major projects he oversaw was the replacement and repair of the rocks surrounding our ponds which were caving in.

Liz served on our Welcoming Committee for many years. She also planned many of our social activities including Easter Egg Hunts, 4th of July Parades, and Annual Picnics.

From late 2014 through 2017 Doug and Liz led the Pool Committee. They were passionate about repairing many things that had been falling apart over the previous decades. These repairs included replacing the pool electrical system, which Doug did himself, pro bono, saving us \$5,000-\$6,000. Also the pool buildings were re-sided and repainted. New ladders were installed. The baby pool was repaired and repainted. The patio ceiling was replaced. The lifeguard chair was replaced. They initiated a 3-year increase in pool dues so that we would be able to replace our coping and skimmers.

Doug and Liz have moved recently to the Lakewood area. Thank you so much for all your help. We will miss you!