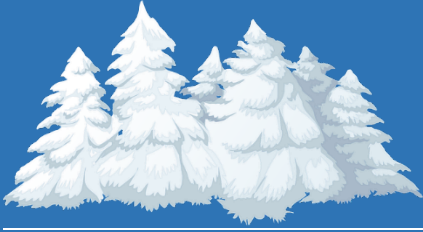


BENT TREE BLUFFS NEWS

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2020



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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN BTB?!

- Semi-annual HOA meeting:** Scheduled for: April 9, 2020 and October 1, 2020 at the Lee's Summit Baptist Temple at 7:00 pm. Get Involved!
- Recently the Board approved Patty Denny to re-assume Treasurer duties.
- If you would like to volunteer for any position and/or projects please email BTB HOA at benttreebluffshoa@gmail.com.
- HOA dues invoices mailed February 10th** Payments are due by March 15th.
- BTB Easter Egg Hunt:** Please watch for details to come!
- Spring BTB Garage Sale:** May 14-16, 2020. This will be the only neighborhood-sponsored sale for the year. Homeowners are welcome to hold a garage sale at any time outside of the neighborhood sale.
- Swim Team and Pool Opening!** Watch for information to come in later April or early May regarding swim team!
- BTB Facebook Page:** Check out and join the BTB Group Facebook page "Bent Tree Bluffs Neighborhood" at <https://m.facebook.com/groups/16>. This is a great a place to keep up on events of the neighborhood, watch neighbors posting about things they see going on, questions, and even items for sale! This group is private.
- Little Free Library:** Don't forget the library on Overbrook, by the ponds!

STREETS OF PRYOR WEST DEVELOPMENT



Keep up-to-date on this fast moving project right up at the road at:
<http://www.drakekc.com>

Covenant & Code Violation Committee

Larry Laubach 524-0447

Dan Hall 246-6353

Swimming Pool #524-9493

Larry & Barbara Reed 679-7655

Angie Leonard 877-2564

Chip Reach 665-4415

Neighborhood Social Events Coordinator

Krista Grubb
krista.grubb@yahoo.com

Neighborhood Website

Bentreebluffs.com

Also, on Facebook! JOIN US!

Ann Yonker 525-1938

Newsletter

**Send updates or awards received to
(especially kids of BTB!)*

Lindsey Velasquez
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Helping Hands:

*Volunteer opportunities for neighborly
help or common property projects!*

Tamara Bishop bishop70@msn.com

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Neighborhood Watch

*To sign up for updates, alerts, or to report
any activity.*

Email Bill Morrow at
bill.morrow1075@gmail.com

SPRING TIME HOME MAINTENANCE TIPS FROM HGTV

- Examine roof shingles to see if any were lost or damaged during the winter months. Have a qualified roofer check the flashing around plumbing vents, skylights and chimneys.

- Probe wood trim: use a screwdriver to probe the wood trim around windows, doors, railings and decks. Make repairs before the spring rains do more damage to exposed wood.

- Check the Gutters: for loose or leaky gutters. Clean the gutters from debris. Improper drainage from gutters can lead to water inside the home. Make sure the downspouts are draining away from the foundation.

- Use compacted soil in low areas of the yard and next to the foundation of your home. Spring rains can cause flooding, this can reduce flood damage to your home and help keep insect breeding out of the yard (breeding of insects can occur when water pools are created in low areas of your yard.)

- Check your chimney! Examine the exterior for any damage, have the flue cleaned and inspected by a certified chimney sweep.

- Inspect concrete slabs for signs of cracks or movement. All exterior concrete slabs should be drained away from the foundation (except pool decks.) Fill cracks with concrete crack filler or silicone caulk. Power-wash and seal concrete.

- Move firewood that has been stored near the home away. Firewood should always be stored at least 18 inches off the ground and at least 2 feet from any structure.

- Check your outside faucets for any possible freeze damage. Turn the water on and place your thumb or finger over the opening, if you can stop the flow of water, there may be a pipe damaged and may need replacing. Check the garden hose for any dry rot.

- Have your AC unit serviced and cleaned by a qualified heating and cooling contractor. Clean coils operate more efficiently. An annual service can keep the system working at peak performance levels. Change the filters on a regular basis.

- Check all your gas and battery powered lawn equipment to make sure it is ready for use. Clean and sharp equipment make yardwork easier.

NEIGHBORHOOD REMINDERS

- Keeping outside lights on at night can help discourage crime.

- Lock your car doors to prevent possible theft.

- Never leave cars unattended while running, even to warm up.

- Please watch out for children playing, riding bikes, scooters, etc.

- It is still the school year: Watch for children at bus stops and make sure you stop your vehicle when the bus is letting off and picking up children!

- Please, clean up after pets when walking through the neighborhood.

Services Offered **by BTB Kids**

YARD WORK/MOWING/SNOW REMOVAL:

Jacob & Bradley Poletis 816-564-6453
Max Bilton 913-669-2384

BABYSITTING:

Jessica & Nikki Hartmann 914-6804
Oliva Neidt 554-8340
Delaney Boulden 527-5567
Grace Marshall 554-0093
Madison Whitefield 913-710-4263
Gia Clementi 816-489-5153

PET CARE:

Katelyn Esry 347-1239
Daniel Worth 246-0207
Delaney Boulden 527-5567
Jessica & Nikki Hartmann 914-6804
Max Bilton 913-669-2384
Brooklyn & Madison Whitefield
913-710-4263

Alaina Pet Sitting and Dog Walking
816-600- 2644
*A portion of proceeds will be donated!

PLANT CARE:

Daniel Worth 246-0207
Oliva Neidt 554-8340
Madison Whitefield 913-710-4263
Jessica & Nikki Hartmann 914-6804

Complimentary Math Tutoring **Services Offered for BTB kids** **(2nd -10th Grade)**

Charles "Chip" Reach, PhD-
Engineering
cdreach@gmail.com

•Please, continue to submit all exterior home improvement projects to the Architectural Committee for approval before you start work. The forms are available on the BTB website at www.benttreebluffs.com and can be submitted to benttreebluffshoa@gmail.com for review or specific contact information about where to send forms. This may include, but not limited to the following projects: roofs, paint, siding, fence, deck and landscape changes [Article VI.]

•No overnight parking on the streets. No long-term storage of boats, RV's, or trailers on driveways, streets, or lots [Article VIII, (d) 4 & 5.]

•Homeowners are urged to keep yard waste and all other waste out of the storm sewers. There have been back-ups in BTB storm sewers after excess leaves and grass had been going down the drain over a period of time.

BTB SPOTLIGHT!



BTB's Daniel Worth became the Missouri State Champion in the 100-yard Breaststroke with a time of 53.53. Daniel has been featured in the Kansas City Star and Swimming World Magazine for breaking a 28-year state record previously held by Jeff Commings (1991.) The links of these articles will be listed at the bottom of this feature. Daniel also took first place in the 200 yard Individual Medley (IM,) the 200 yard Medley Relay and 200 yard Freestyle Relay with his teammates. Further, the 200-yard Relay broke a state record. Check out some information you may not have known about Daniel:

Daniel was 17 years old and in the 11th grade at Lee's Summit North High School when he crushed a 28-year state record in the 100-yard Breaststroke. Daniel swam for the BTB neighborhood league for a couple years when he was in elementary school (as did his siblings before him) and then began swimming competitively for 6 years before crushing the record. Daniel told the Lee's Summit R-7 School District he had been trying to break the time of the record, which had provided motivation for him for the last two years. Daniel had done extensive training and put in a lot of work both physically and mentally to break the state record. This training included pool work nine times a week and lifting weights four times a week. Three months of the year, Daniel trains with the high school team and the other nine months he works with his competitive club team. Daniel likes to think about race strategy while listening to music through headphones as a "pre-race ritual;" that playlist usually includes screamo and hype music. Right now Daniel is competing in the Junior Nationals and looking forward to committing to a college, where we know he will



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have a lot of offers and options to navigate through! You can read more on Daniel's Q&A session with LSR-7 at <https://lsr7.org/news/lees-summit-north-boys-swimming-brings-home-six-gold-medals-and-two-state-records/>

Good luck Daniel! We look forward to hearing more about you and are always cheering you on from BTB!

KC Star

<https://www.kansascity.com/sports/high-school/article237450624.html>

Swimming World Magazine

<https://www.swimmingworldmagazine.com/news/daniel-worth-crushes-jeff-commings-28-year-old-state-record-at-missouri-boys-class-2-meet/>

UPCOMING EVENTS IN LEE'S SUMMIT

•**Spring Open House:** March 6 at 10:00 am through March 7 at 5:00 pm. Downtown Lee's Summit merchants will feature new items for Spring, 2020! Consumers can enter during the open house two-day event, to win a "Downtown Shopping Spree!"

•**Emerald Isle Parade:** March 14 from 12:00-2:00 pm. Celebrate St. Patrick's Day activities with the Emerald Isle Parade featuring floats, Irish dancers, musicians and more! The Parade will begin at 12:00 pm, parade route will run from about 8th Street, north on Green Street, west on 3rd Street, then north on SE Main Street. There will be a Pot O' Gold Coin Hunt for kids at 11:30 at Howard Station and a pub crawl beginning at 1:30/when the parade is finished, organized by Downtown bars and restaurants.

•**LS Farmers Market:** Saturday, February 29 from 10am-12pm at the Bridge Space there is a pre-season meet and greet with your favorite Farmers Market vendors! Opening of the Farmers Market season is early April. Market located downtown LS at SE 2nd Street & Douglas. Held every Wednesday & Saturday morning from: 7:00 am-1:00 pm, through November.

•**Fourth Fridays Art Walk:** April 24 from 5:00pm-9:00pm will be downtown Lee's Summit packed with a variety of activities including artist receptions, artist showcases, Music in the Park at Howard Station Park. Fourth Fridays will continue on the 4th Friday of each month through August! Fun for the whole Family!

The Lee's Summit Garden Club is now accepting new members! Yearly dues are \$25.00. Members meet monthly, second Tuesday of each month at the Winterset Clubhouse. Garden tours are in June, July and August. Call Tanya Forbes at 816-246-8701 for additional information and any questions.