

Brighton Area Homeowners Association

Every House a Home ~ Every Neighbor a Friend

Serving the Homeowners and Good Neighbors of
Bellgate, Briargate, Briarwood, Brighton and Brighton Estates!

A Newsletter of the Brighton Area Homeowners Association (BAHA)

Officers and Board of Directors*

July 2008—June 2009



Left to Right: Bud Jones (Member at Large), Derrick Smith (Past President**),
Voncile Love (Treasurer), Mary Shaver (Secretary), Dawn Williams (President),
Mike Conn (Vice-President) & Kenn Walp (Member at Large).
Not Shown: Aristotle Kirkland (Member at Large)

** Officers and Directors are elected volunteers that serve without pay. **Non-Voting Advisor*

BRIGHTON AREA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

Tuesday September 23 7 PM

**Gateway Baptist Church
on Bell Road**

Agenda Items

- Membership Drive
- Budget Report
- Neighborhood Improvements
- Award Winning Yard Program
- Block Captains and Neighborhood Watch

*To request additional items be added to the agenda,
contact Dawn Williams at 657-2916 .*



**Please Support Your Association Today
and proudly display your decal!**

Every realtor will tell you that a strong,
active homeowners association helps build
a positive neighborhood reputation and
increase property values!

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SUGGESTED GOOD NEIGHBOR GUIDELINES

- ___ **Treat others the way you would like to be treated.** *The Golden Rule is the number one sign of a good neighbor.*
- ___ **Know your neighbor's names and phone numbers.** *This builds friendships and our neighborhood watch program.*
- ___ **Join BAHA—your neighborhood association.** A strong association helps attract and keep good neighbors. Our low annual dues are a small price to pay for improvements needed to ensure property values continue to go up.
- ___ **Drive at or below the speed limit and come to a complete stop at stop signs.** *The safety of our children and neighbors is far more important than getting to work on time.*
- ___ **Keep your home, yard, and vehicles looking good.** *This shows respect for your neighbors, increases home values, and beautifies the community. Please keep your grass cut, edge your yard, pick-up trash and remove any grass growing in the street cracks. Please keep your vehicles locked and parked in your driveway—not on the street.*
- ___ **Think twice before you install burglar bars on your doors and windows.** *They decrease the value and resale potential of your home and your neighbor's. We have one of the lowest crime rates in Montgomery. To help keep that rate low, we recommend you install an electronic alarm system.*
- ___ **Never park in your yard.** *Parking in your yard kills the grass and decreased the appearance and value of your home, as well as the value of your neighbor's home. In addition, if you leave your car parked in your yard for longer than 6 hours, it's a violation of city ordinances.*
- ___ **Don't park boats or trailers on the street.** *It creates traffic problems and is a violation of city ordinances.*
- ___ **Help keep streets free of trash.** *Garbage pick-up is on Tuesdays and Fridays. Other trash is picked up on Wednesdays. Please don't put your trash on the street until Tuesday afternoon. Trash left on the street for several days sets a bad example and creates a bad image for the neighborhood.*
- ___ **Tell your neighbors when you are going to have a social at your home.** *This shows respect, avoids misunderstandings and potential police involvement. Please make sure noise cannot be heard outside your home.*
- ___ **Parents—please don't let your kids walk the streets after dark.**
- ___ **Parents—please teach your children the “Suggested Good Neighbor Guidelines for Children” listed below.**

SUGGESTED GOOD NEIGHBOR GUIDELINES FOR CHILDREN

- ___ **Always treat neighbors, adults, and children with respect.**
- ___ **Music should be heard in the car, not outside the car.**
- ___ **Get out of the road when a car is coming.** *Sidewalks are a safer place to walk.*
- ___ **Please put litter in a garbage can, not on the street.**
- ___ **Please keep school bus stop areas clean.** *Don't put trash in storm drains.*
- ___ **Don't invite someone with poor character to visit you.** *They will bring their poor character & bad habits with them.*
- ___ **Bad language is never acceptable—it's a sign of poor character and upbringing.**
- ___ **Teen/Young adults should not stand on street corners.**
- ___ **Avoid walking down the street in large groups.** *It scares neighbors and potential homeowners.*
- ___ **Never enter a neighbor's yard or property unless invited.** *Their basketball goal may look inviting, but you need an invitation to use it.*

Thank you for setting a good example for others to follow! By doing so, you are helping our neighborhood continue to be one of the safest, cleanest, and friendliest in Montgomery!

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Neighbors Who Care Help Keep Our Area A Safe, Clean, Friendly Community!



Terry Hawkins and Kenn Walp proudly display our flag along all 5 entrances during holiday periods and everyday at the Edinburgh entrance.

City Councilman Glen Pruitt joins Neighborhood Watch Block Captains for a quarterly training meeting. If you would like to volunteer for this great program, call Bud Jones at 430-0246 or Kenn Walp at 277-3615.



How Can We ALL Help Keep Our Community Safe, Clean, and Friendly?

1. Get to know your neighbors.
2. Join your homeowners association.
3. Install an electronic alarm system—*Let's encourage thieves to go somewhere else where the pickings are easier!*



Association members Derrick Smith, Kenneth Hall, Kenn Walp, Dawn Williams, Mary Shaver, and Charles Wyborny (not shown) accomplish seasonal maintenance at the Edinburgh Entrance. Monthly maintenance at all 5 entrances is provided by Daniel Whetstone under contract with the Association.

GATEWAY BAPTIST CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Bell Road Kids Club

Sunday Afternoons at 4:30 pm
Starting Sunday, Sept. 7th
Grades: K-12

***Music, Games, Art, Crafts, Dance,
Sports, Snacks***

Fall Festival

October 31st at 6 pm
Games, Hay Ride, Bon fire and lots more!
All Brighton Area Residents are invited.

July 2008 – June 2009 BUDGET

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| Maintenance of All 5 Entrances | |
| \$1,800.00 | |
| Pine Straw for all Entrances | |
| \$800.00 | |
| Landscaping (Wampold, Old Orchard, Willowick) | |
| \$900.00 | |
| Electricity (Lighting at Edinburgh Entrance) | |
| \$300.00 | |
| Water (Edinburgh Entrance) | |
| \$350.00 | |
| Signs | \$300.00 |
| Membership Decals | \$150.00 |
| Seasonal Flowers | \$800.00 |

Award Winning Yards

June Yards

2080 Edinburgh Drive - The Pugh Family
6772 Capuano - The Fox Family

July Yards

6012 Sarita Ct. - The Washington Family
2741 W. Aberdeen - The McIvor Family
2325 Cedarwood Lane - The Myrick Family
2825 Old Orchard - The Cone Family

August Yards

2260 Edinburgh Drive - The Wagner Family
2033 Briargate - The Harris Family
2344 Cedarwood Lane - The Bucko Family
2133 N. Sutherland - The Thomas Family
6700 Capuano - The Montgomery Family

Selecting Award Winning Yards

On the last Sunday or Monday of each month, members of the Awards Committee tour the neighborhood. Yards will be rated on a 10-point scale based on the following areas: shrubs, flower beds, lawn, house appearance, mailbox, and vehicle appearance. Yards rated 8 or more will be considered.

Quick Reference Phone Numbers

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| Crime in Progress | 911 |
| Police Department (non-emergency) | 241-2651 |
| Secret Witness | 262-4000 |
| Animal Control | 241-2970 |
| Overgrown Grass | 241-2068 |
| Sidewalk Repair | 241-2880 |
| Street Light Replacement | 1-800-245-2244 |
| Street Sign Repair | 241-2910 |
| Vehicle Parked in Yard | 241-2068 |
| BAHA President Dawn Williams | 657-2916 |
| BAHA Vice President Mike Conn | 271-8802 |

For a Safe, Clean and Friendly Neighborhood
JOIN YOUR ASSOCIATION TODAY!

\$45 Annually **Brighton Area Homeowners Association Membership Form** *\$45 Annually*

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ unt: _____ Check #: _____

Mail to: BAHA, PO Box 230961, Montgomery, AL 36123