

Subject: BEHA Update

26 April 2011

Good morning neighbors! I hope that all of you had a wonderful Easter. The first quarter of 2011 has flown by or should I say *blown by* with all the wind we've had. The BEHA Board met last week and I thought I would provide you with a brief update.

1. Finance Report- We have \$16,096.84 in the BEHA Account. We have 9 families that still owe 2011 HOA dues. Two of the 9 have moved and their homes are vacant. Our January electric bill was higher because of the Christmas lights. The February electric bill is back in line as to what is expected. A second letter will go out at the end of the month to families still outstanding on there dues. **Since the meeting we have received 1 other payment. If you have not yet paid your 2011 dues please submit those to:**

**BEHA
Brentwood Estates Homeowners Association
PO Box 1172
Keller, TX 75244**

2. Landscaping Report- Our annual contract with O'Donnell's was due an annual review. The board had decided to shop around and have received 3 bids for landscaping services and O'Donnell's still seems to be our best opportunity. We all agreed to maintain them as our provider and to consider re-doing our entrance ways at a later time. Currently our sprinkler system is being tested and inspected by Mr. Olin Lacy. He saves our community that expense and does an outstanding job. Thanks Mr. Lacy for your service.

3. Garage Sale- The 2011 **BEHA garage sale will be on Sat May 21, 2011.** If you get a second, and plan to participate please email me at jpmac08@yahoo.com. That is important as we can put the number of sales in our ad which may enhance customer participation.

4. BEHA Web Site. Rita Hanson completed the website project. The site is up and running. However, continual updates, improvements and maintenance will always be needed. She suggested that we initiate a website committee for that purpose. The board agreed and Tom Soulsby agreed to be the liaison on the new committee. **If you have any interest in being on this important committee please email or call me.** No website building knowledge is necessary. Just ideas.

5. Neighborhood Safety Warning. On Monday evening, April 11, 2011, between 8:30 and 9:00 p.m., a 20-year old female was walking on the Keller Park trail, west of the Keller-Smithfield Node, when she was approached by a male from behind and subsequently sexually assaulted. The male is described as white, late 40's, 5'10-5'11, large belly, short hair, gray in color, balding on the

forehead area, approximately one-half inch in width of facial hair located from the bottom lip to the chin, last seen wearing light colored sweat pants, tennis shoes, white T-shirt with no logos and a black or blue jacket. The female reported no weapons or threat of violence was used during the offense. Investigators are attempting to obtain a computerized composite of the suspect to distribute to the public as soon as possible. Keller Police Officers have increased bike and foot patrols in the area since the report of the offense. **The police department is asking citizens who frequent the trails to walk or run in pairs after dark.** Any information the public may have regarding seeing a person matching this description or any other possible leads during the time of the assault, please contact Detective Yates at (817) 743-4615.

Lt. Brenda J. Slovak
Keller Police
Department
Criminal Investigations
817-743-4506

5. City of Keller early voting Dates and Times. The election is right around the corner. For you convenience here is a schedule and location for early voting. The actual scheduled election date is May 14, 2011.

Location:
Keller Town Hall
2nd Floor
1100 Bear Creak Parkway
Keller, TX 76248

Times and Dates:
May 2-6 (MON-FRI): 8 AM to 5 PM
May 7 (SAT): 7 AM to 7 PM
May 8 (SUN): 11 AM – 4 PM
May 9-10 (MON-TUE): 7 AM – 7 PM

6. KellerFest- Come one, come all! This should be a great time to get out and enjoy this weekend. The Keller Fest was voted best festival 2009 and 2010, and is a 3 day family festival with Live music- Carnival Rides – Food- Arts & Crafts- Children’s Activities- Petting Zoo- Strut your Mutt Parade – Battle of the Bands, youth and adult – Bike & Trike Show.

April 29-May 1, 2011 at Keller Town Center, 1100 Bear Creek Parkway.

**Road Closures scheduled for KellerFest
Bear Creek Parkway and Town Center Lane
Posted Date: 4/27/2011**

Beginning at 6:45 a.m. Thursday, April 28, through 7 a.m. Monday, May 2, Town Center Lane and Bear Creek Parkway (between Rufe Snow Drive and Country Brook Lane) will be closed to through traffic for **KellerFest**, sponsored by the Keller Chamber of Commerce. Town Hall can be accessed via the KISD Natatorium from Rufe Snow Drive to the west parking lot. The Arthouse businesses will be open for regular business activities. Contact the Keller Chamber at 817-431-2169. For information about the event and to view a parking map, visit www.kellerfest.com .

7. Home Maintenance: Recently we had an issue of a few homes that were not maintaining their premises. With the weather and winds we have had, things can get shabby rather quickly. Two important points I would like to share. First, once contacted the families addressed the situation and the areas were attended to. Thanks to those families. Finally remember that appearance is a key factor in resale and helps maintain property values. Lets all do our part.

Blessings
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and.....Do you know How Easter Day is determined?

Easter Sunday typically falls on a different date each year. Easter is always the first Sunday after or on the first full moon, after the **Spring (vernal) Equinox** in the Northern hemisphere and the **Autumnal Equinox** in the Southern hemisphere.

The date is determined by a combination of events centered around the lunar cycle, the solar cycle, the division of each year into 365 days and a 1,700 year old Church ruling.

The explanation starts with the fact that early Christians elected to link the date of Easter to the Hebrew calendar. The New Testament states that the Resurrection took place on the first day of the week following Passover. Sunday is the first day of a Jewish week; the Passover falls on the day of the first full moon after the Spring Equinox, which can fall on either March 20 or 21.

Chaotic, or what? The result was that different churches ended up celebrating Easter on various days. And to try to clear up the confusion, the Roman Emperor Constantine I organized a major summit meeting.

The first Ecumenical Council was held at Nicea in present-day Turkey in the year 325. It decreed that Easter would be celebrated on the Sunday following the first full moon that occurred after the Spring Equinox. This retained a lunar connection as a sort of "memory" of the Jewish calendar system, and ensured that the feast would be on a Sunday. Because lunar phases occur independently of the solar year, this means that there is a "window" of several weeks during which Easter may be celebrated. By this reckoning, in our calendar, Easter must occur between March 22 and April 25.

So, go to your calendar, and find the first day of spring - then find the first full moon immediately following that. And Easter will be the first Sunday after (or on) that first full moon. Note the difference in the southern hemisphere: Easter falls on the first Sunday on or after the first full moon after the Autumnal equinox, *not* after the first day of autumn.

The system that was slowly developed throughout the Middle Ages is the base for what we use today.