

MAY AND JUNE 2019

# BRENTON COMMUNITIES NEWSLETTER

MEL RAY OFFICE: 515-289-1673 OFFICE HOURS: 1:00 PM-4:00PM, MON-FRI, BY APPOINTMENT SAT-SUN



NEWSLETTER IS NOW AVAILABLE AT [www.BrentonCommunities.com](http://www.BrentonCommunities.com)

## FRIENDLY REMINDERS - THANK YOU!

### WEED PREVENTATIVE AND LAWN CARE

Weed preventative treatments will begin within the **first two weeks of May**. All lots will be treated unless communicated otherwise to the office.

We ask that your lawns be kept below 3 inches over the summer, and are kept trimmed around home, driveways and walkways. Please do not leave clippings in the street, dispose yard waste in the brown yard waste bags.

### ANNUAL TAXES

Reminder to verify the taxes on your home/garage have been paid. You can easily check this at <https://pay.iowataxandtags.org>. Payments are due every March & September. Don't lose your property to a tax sale!

### UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION AT THE OFFICE

Do we have all of your current information? Do you have a new: PHONE, VEHICLE, PET, ROOMMATE, or CHILDREN OVER 18? **If you have anything new in your household, please stop by the office to add that information to your file.** All of this information is required as per your lease agreement. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

### INSURANCE DOCUMENTATION

Proof of homeowner's liability Insurance is **REQUIRED for all homes, & is to be present in your file** at the office. If you have not yet contacted your agent to **add Park View as an "additional Interest"** on your policy, please do so. This will ensure we get the information we need, provided to us automatically, upon your renewal each year.

### WE DO NOT ALLOW FIREWORKS

As a reminder, **we do not allow fireworks of any kind** in the community. This is a fire hazard that could be catastrophic to our homes, given the close proximity to each other. We appreciate your understanding.

### VEHICLE AND PARKING REMINDER

There is no parking on streets or in the grass. Streets must be clear for emergency vehicles. Over flow parking can be found various places in the park. If you are parking in an unauthorized area, your vehicle will be tagged for towing at the violator's expense. Please be sure all vehicles have been registered, and are in good working order (without need of repairs).

## WHAT'S NEW AT MEL RAY

### FIND US ON THE WEB

We have **Brenton Communities Instagram & Facebook** pages, that we regularly post helpful information and events in the various communities. Like and follow us on our pages to stay informed about community events and helpful hints for your home, as well as new home listings:

<https://www.facebook.com/MobileHomeCommunities/>

<https://www.instagram.com/brentoncommunities/>

### NEW WEBSITE CHANGES ON THE HORIZON

Look for changes to our website soon which will include the tab **"Community Life"**. This section will have the **"Brenton Buzz"**, with informational postings about purchasing & caring for your home, community information, calendar events, plus more. Additionally, the Bi-Monthly **Newsletters** will be found on our Community Life page.

### YOUR HOME IMPROVEMENTS

#### SPRING INSPECTIONS

Spring Inspections have begun. You **MUST** turn completed inspections in when the work is complete. Make sure you pay special attention to: Skirting is secure, & without holes for animals to get through. Unapproved storage on/around deck & patio. Trim voluntary trees/weeds away from utilities & skirting. Power washing dirt/mold off siding, skirting & deck.

#### SHEDS, GARAGES, DECKS

If you are thinking of making these types of improvements must be approved by the office prior to you beginning the project, & most will require a permit that can be obtained through the city.

### FOR YOUR SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF OTHERS

#### PLEASE SLOW DOWN IN THE COMMUNITY

We want to prevent an unfortunate accident. Please remind your friends and family to slow down. With summer break just around the corner, there will be more children outside playing. A child won't be watching for traffic, their only thought is playing outside, so keep your eye out for happy children at play!

#### TORNADO SAFETY

**Our safe place when sirens go off is in below the apartments at the center of the community. The door remains unlocked at all times.**

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## ANKENY COMMUNITY EVENTS

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST – FIRE STATION 1, NW ASH DRIVE

Enjoy a pancake breakfast with the Ankeny firefighters, **May 18<sup>th</sup> from 7-11:00 am**. This is a free event, however voluntary goodwill donations will be collected to benefit the St. Florian Fire and Burn Foundation, to assist and support burn survivors and their families in maintaining a high quality of life.

### ANKENY SPRING CLEAN UP DAYS

Ankeny Clean up days are May 18<sup>th</sup> from 8am-4pm, at the Prairie Ridge Aquatic Center, 1220 NW Prairie Ridge Dr. Visit the [Recycling Events page](#) for more information or call Public Works at 515-963-3525 with questions.

### MOVIES UNDER THE STARS, STARTING IN JUNE \*FREE\*

Movies Under the Stars, is every Friday night, at 8:30pm beginning June 7<sup>th</sup>, at the Ankeny Bandshell, 410 W 1<sup>st</sup> St. Bring a blanket, chairs, snack & enjoy!  
<https://www.ankenyiowa.gov/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/15776/420?curm=6&cury=2019>

## WWW.BRENTONCOMMUNITIES.COM



### “THE PROMISE OF HOME”

There are 7 Brenton Communities in Central Iowa: Ankeny-Mel Ray, Boone-Boone Estates, Grimes-Park View Village, Huxley-New Horizons, Marion-Eagle Ridge, Sunrise-Pella, & West Park-West Des Moines

**OUR REFERRALS FOR THOSE HANDY FOLKS, MOWERS, AND DOERS – IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO OFFER YOUR SERVICES, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AND ADD YOURSELF TO OUR LIST!**

#### CONCRETE (FOR DRIVEWAYS, GARAGES, ETC)

Ames Concrete 515-232-8878

#### HANDYMAN, AND NEEDED REPAIRS

Jeff Bolton 515-298-1706 Keith Kohler 515-249-9185 Mike Wharton 515-729-0536

#### SKIRTING INSTALL & REPAIRS, & POWER WASHING

Mike Wharton 515-729-0536 Bret Street 641-202-3001

#### ROOFING INSTALLATION AND REPAIRS

Clayton, Bass Roofing 515-290-5901 Tim, DM Roofing 515-360-7480

#### ELECTRICIAN

Todd, Stewart Electric 515-238-8108 Perkins Electric 515-975-3272

#### HEATING AND COOLING

Keith Kohler 515-249-9185 Neighbors 515-232-7777

#### PLUMBER

Jeff Bolton 515-298-1706 Thorpe 515-707-1251

#### SNOW REMOVAL / LAWN MOWING \*\*\*\* WE NEED YOU \*\*\*\*

If you are interested in earning money contact the office.

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## MOVE TO OUR COMMUNITY FINANCING AVAILABLE

### FOR SALE, FINANCING OPTIONS AVAILABLE

**Coming Soon:** New homes in your price range!

We have only 4 lots remaining in Mel Ray; two double lots, and two single lots. To reserve your lot contact the office.

- Up to **\$4000 BONUS** to relocate your home to one of our communities
- **receive a referral bonus of \$100**, ask the office for details
- Pets are OK, **up to 2, less than 20 pounds**, with prior approval

Call the office today to get more information!!

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## ZERO-TOLERANCE RESULTING IN IMMEDIATE ACTION

**Reminder that Brenton Communities has a zero-tolerance policy for illegal drug use, distribution, or weapons of any kind being used in the communities. If caught this will result in immediate action being taken against those individuals.**