

Lakes Of Brightwater

FALL 2015

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COMING EVENTS

HOA MONTHLY MEETINGS

Clubhouse, 6:00 PM

Tuesday, September 15

Tuesday, October 20 (off site)

Tuesday, November 17

Tuesday, December 15

NEIGHBORHOOD COFFEE

Clubhouse, 10-11:30 AM

Monday, October 5

BRIGHTWATER GARDEN

CLUB

Clubhouse, 6:30 PM

Monday, September 28

Monday, October 26

Monday, November 16

EVENING

NEEDLEWORKERS

Members' homes, 7 PM

Monday, October 5

Monday, November 2

Monday, December 7

Monday, January 4, 2016

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Tuesday, October 6

PLAY GROUP

Northshore Park

Thursdays, 4 pm

HALLOWEEN PARADE

Brightwater @ Frost Lake

Sunday, October 25, 4 PM

CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY

PARTY

Clubhouse

December date TBA

National Night Out In Texas



National Night Out is a neighborhood crime prevention event that occurs annually and is celebrated in cities throughout the U.S. National Night Out in Texas is Tuesday, October 6.

Neighborhoods throughout Missouri City are encouraged to promote a spirit of unity and Police-Community partnerships by spending the evening outdoors with their neighbors and local law enforcement. Police, Fire and City personnel often arrive in Brightwater on bikes, motorcycles or the Fire Department ladder truck that is popular with both adults and children.

Plan a Block Party using a cookout, potluck dinner or simple refreshments to meet or become reacquainted with your neighbors. Looking out for one another is the first step in deterring crime and making your block and our neighborhood a safe place to live.

Brightwater received a "Best Block Party" plaque in 2013 in recognition of our 13 block parties. Let's meet or best this record! Contact Diane Giltner at 281-499-0695 or dgiltner5@comcast.net for information and/or to register your party with Missouri City Police Department.

Brightwater Families Parade Their Patriotism

The 4th of July Parade in Brightwater brought smiles to young and old alike. There were many entries sporting the red, white and blue and everyone had a grand time!



A Great Day for a Parade



Most Original



Most Patriotic

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Needleworkers:

We're beginning our 15th year and we'd love to have you join us! Come and meet some terrific members who share your enthusiasm for needlework. Our handiwork includes knitting, crocheting, cross stitching, mending or any other project that requires hand sewing. We meet in members' homes on the first Monday of the month from 7:00 to 8:45 p.m. Upcoming meetings are September 7, October 5, November 2, and December 7. For more information, call Elaine at 281-499-6660.

2016 Directory:

The 2016 Directory project is underway and forms will be distributed this November. When received, please complete and submit yours to ensure you are included in this important publication. Forms can be returned to Crest and there will be drop-off points in the neighborhood. Please note: Advertising space will be available to Brightwater residents so look for more details this fall.

Soup Social:

The Soup Social has been a special event in Brightwater since 2008. Keep the end of January, 2016, open for another wonderful gathering of neighbors enjoying the free culinary talents of resident cooks!

BOARD UPDATE

The Board will be holding a meeting in late September or mid-October at the Clubhouse about the renovations/refurbishment under consideration. A letter will be sent to all residents once we have a specific date.

All residents and guests of residents are expected to remain courteous at all times when using the public facilities of the neighborhood. This includes the tennis courts, the pool area, the playgrounds, and the Brightwater walking trails. Our facilities are for the use of our homeowners. If a resident is inappropriately using any of the facilities, they can and will be denied use of those facilities. Any resident that has a concern or issue about the use of any facility should contact Crest Management or a board member. We are proud of what we have to offer and will follow through on all complaints.

We are currently reviewing the rules of the tennis court. If the rules are changed, we will correct the signs at the court, post the new rules on the Lakes of Brightwater website, and send out an eBulletin. We will have a new design for the sign-up sheets at the courts posted by the end of September.

Thank you to our Social Committee for adding new events such as the 4th of July Parade and the Children's Play Group to the neighborhood. We are thankful, too, for their continued coordination of the student/resident pool parties and upcoming Halloween Parade and Holiday Party.

The Board is extremely appreciative of all of our volunteers! Without the time and effort of these residents, our neighborhood would fall into disrepair and/or cost a tremendous amount each year to outsource their work and skills. Due to volunteers we keep our tennis courts, pool, grounds, and general facilities running smoothly and offer an eBulletin, newsletter, website and directory. Thank you to each and every one.

Rita McMahon, HOA President

Ripples

Missouri City Launches Voluntary "Silent Partner" Program: Community partnerships are vital to the growth and development of a city and can help improve public safety. Missouri City now offers the "Silent Partner" program whereby residents can register their exterior facing cameras with the City's police department to possibly assist in solving crimes. The new program will help detectives investigating a crime in the vicinity of a residence with a registered camera to access potentially helpful footage. The program is entirely voluntary and consent to view video footage from your camera may be withdrawn at any time. To sign up for the Silent Partner program, check out the homepage at: www.missouricitytx.gov. Residents may also contact Lt. Kevin Burleson at 281-403-8722 for additional information.



City Improvement May Offer Residential Insurance Benefit: The Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating for Missouri City helps determine the cost of insurance for residents and businesses. After implementing several changes, the City's residential rating rose from a 7 to a 4 which is the range for smaller Texas communities. This is the 2nd highest discount with participating insurance providers (not all insurance companies use the ISO for rating analysis). Residents can contact their insurance agent to determine if and how the updated ISO rating will affect their premiums.

FaLL Neighborhood Coffee

Monday, October 5

10-11:30 a.m.

Drop by and get reacquainted after the summer break.

Halloween Parade

**Sunday, October 25 at 4 p.m.
Brightwater @ Frost Lake to the Clubhouse**

Our young residents will parade in costume to the Clubhouse, providing a fun event for both participants and spectators. There will be refreshments and a photo opportunity with a haunted house backdrop at the Clubhouse (bring your own camera). Prizes will be awarded for best children's costume. For more information, contact Krista at 281-660-0500 <> Krista.Patlovich@gmail.com or Diane Giltner at 281-499-0695 <> dgiltner5@comcast.net.



Play Group Meet Up



The Play Group offers children a great opportunity to play in a wonderful outdoor environment. Parents and their children of all ages are invited to socialize on Thursdays at 4 p.m. in Northshore Park.

For more information, contact Rose at pasnikr@hotmail.com.

Boat Park

The Brightwater Boat Park adjacent to the Clubhouse is closed due to construction until further notice.

Duck Problem

We are still having a problem with residents dumping food on Brightwater's common grounds for the ducks. Previous issues noted that food being left is not healthy for the waterfowl, is unsanitary and causes an accumulation of bird poop. Recently, a pile of cheesy snacks and pretzels were dumped by the water. This is not duck food -- it is someone's garbage. Please DO NOT feed the ducks!

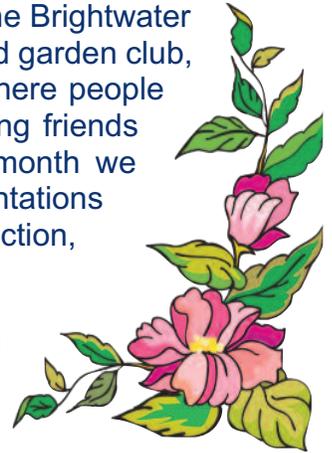
Open House

The **4th Annual Fire & Rescue Services Open House** will be held Saturday, October 10 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Fire Station 1, 3849 Cartwright Road. The event will feature a variety of activities and demonstrations, including a Fire Safety House, fire extinguisher training for adults; firefighter skills drills for children, exit drills residents can practice at home and tours of the firehouse and a fire truck.

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If you want to learn to become a better gardener, the Brightwater Garden Club is the place for you! Our neighborhood garden club, now celebrating its 25th Anniversary, is a place where people of all ages and skill levels can meet new gardening friends and increase their gardening know-how. Each month we feature a Master Gardener speaker and presentations cover a broad range of topics such as plant selection, vegetable gardening, tree care and garden design.



The Garden Club meets September through April at the Brightwater Clubhouse on the 4th Monday of the month (with a few exceptions). Members gather for refreshments and social time at 6:30 and the featured speaker begins at 6:50 p.m.

Monday, September 28: "Must Have Plants for a Houston Garden." Speaker: Evelyn Harding, Master Gardener

Monday, October 26: "Feed Them and They Will Come" – how to attract birds, butterflies and beneficial insects to your yard. Speaker: Don Johnson, Master Gardener & Master Naturalist

Monday, November 16: "The Right Tool for the Right Job – how to make gardening more fun and less work." Speaker: Tricia Bradbury, Master Gardener

If you want to know more about the Brightwater Garden Club and how you can become a member, please visit our new website: www.brightwatergardenclub.com or contact:

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Missouri City Police Department and...

MPCD June - August 2015

Police responded to numerous calls that were either resolved, dismissed or disregarded. Those requiring Police action:

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| 1 Accident | 8 Ordinance Violations |
| 1 Burglary | 2 Parking Violations |
| 2 Disturbances | 4 Solicitors |
| 2 Failure to stop & render aid | 1 Theft |
| 1 Forgery | 3 Traffic Stops |

MCPD Support: The Missouri City Police Officers Association is selling a decal supporting the Missouri City Police Department as a sticker (\$5) or magnet (\$7) to raise funds for officers in need, local charities and community-oriented projects. Decals will be available at National Night Out block parties.



**4603 Lakeside Meadow Drive won
August Yard of the Month.**



**1730 Shoreline Drive won
July Yard of the Month.**

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Brightwater Crime Watch Report

BCW

- 6/14 Pool: MCPD contacted regarding resident's disruptive behavior
- 7/24 Waterstone: Parking issue - unsafe entrance/exit
- 8/28 Lakeside Meadow Dr: Parking issue - unsafe entrance/exit

Please be aware of heavier school hour traffic, student drivers and school buses.

Crime Watch Training: A one-hour training session will be held this fall in the Clubhouse. Contact Diane Giltner at 281-499-0695 or dgiltner5@comcast.net if you are interested in volunteering 1.5 hours monthly or being a substitute in this worthwhile program.

**Vacation Watch: MCPD 281-403-8700
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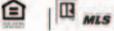
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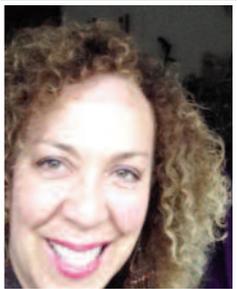


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