# LAKEWOOD GOREST

# **Civic News**

The Official Newsletter of The Lakewood Forest Civic Association, Inc.

# WHAT A PARADE!

The Lakewood Forest Civic Association would like to thank everyone who came out to participate in or watch the annual Patriotic Parade! You all make Lakewood Forest such a great place to live.

Turnout was pretty good and the weather cooperated after threatening to rain on our parade for a second time. We saw plenty of smiling faces and colorful costumes and decorations, even some tri-color hair!

The competition was tough and had the judges sweating (besides the heat) to narrow down each category's winners. Pictures and results begin on page three.

Special thanks to our Lakewood Forest constables for traffic control and to our Cypress Creek Volunteer Fire Department for the appearance of their fire truck and a high water rescue vehicle. Thanks also to Cub Scout Pack 1626 out of Moore Elementary for picking up the many flags along the parade route.

Thanks to the Lakewood Residents' Club for the use of their lovely facility and for having an open house swim after the parade. Brian Autry of Baked Not Fried food truck cooked the hot dogs enjoyed by hungry parade goers.

Without the many student volunteers helping in every role, we could not do the Parade. Salute!

Finally, but not least, my sincere thanks goes out to the hardworking volunteer board members of LFCA and their spouses who just pitched in and got it done while having a good time and creating great memories for others.

We'll see you back next year for another wonderful Patriotic Parade sponsored by your neighborhood civic association. If you'd like to be a part of the LFCA's Parade Committee or any other activity that we sponsor, please contact me.

Michael Lindauer, President Lakewood Forest Civic Association Email: mlhoutex@gmail.com Text/Call: 281-627-3742



Betsy Ross Award – Drew Wiser George Washington Award – Larry Goodnoe

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#### Lakewood Residents' Club

15006 Lakewood Forest Drive

The club is open on a part-time, flex-time basis. Please call 281-376-1893 for office hours.

Visit our website at www.lakewoodrc.org for more information.

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The office is located at 12415 Louetta Road, Cypress, 77429, and is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Lakewood Forest Fund uses the yearly maintenance fee to pay for street lights, trash and recycling pick-up, maintenance of common grounds, mosquito fogging, and security provided by Harris County Precinct 4 Deputies. Deed restriction and architectural control matters are also to be referred to the Board at the above address.

Monthly meeting information will be posted on the Fund website.

# Lakewood Forest is a DEED RESTRICTED Community.

#### Security

The Lakewood Forest Fund has a contract with Harris County Precinct 4's Contract Deputy Program. We have one Lieutenant, one Corporal and three Deputies working approximately 70 percent of their time for Lakewood Forest, and 30 percent for Harris County.

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# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS!



# Ages 5 and Under

- 1. Annabeth Cronkite
- 2. Thompson Rice
- 3. Charlie Parrish (not pictured)



Ages 6 to 8

- 1. Garrett Baker
- 2. Shepherd Wiser

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## WINNERS - continued







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- 2. Michael Stafford
- 3. Steven Freeman



- 1. Stephanie Stafford
- 2. Bailey Freeman
- 3. Riley Kimmel (not pictured)







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- 2. Amanda Avila (not pictured)
- 3. Jeff Hirt







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The Lakewood Forest Garden Club meets from September to May, taking the summer months off.

Garden club members toured the SFA Mast Arboretum and Ruby Mize Azalea Garden in Nacogdoches in the spring. They also enjoyed the historical sites of Sterne Hoya House Museum and Old University Building as well as beautiful nature trails in the area. (Photo at right)

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**Community Support** – It is a pleasure to highlight one of the charitable aspects of garden club activities. As promised last month, here is the list of some of the groups in the community to whom donations were given during the past year:

- Klein Historical Foundation
- 2. Gulf Coast Bird Observatory
- Cypress Creek Flood Control
- 4. Shepherd's Garden
- Mercer Society (Arboretum & Botanic Gardens)
- Cypress Assistance Ministries (CAM)
- 7. Precinct 4 Fun for Seniors
- Reach Unlimited

Thanks to all garden club members and neighbors in the community who purchased plants during the annual fundraiser making it possible for us to contribute to such worthwhile causes.

# Tard of the Month

Judging for Yard of the Month is not conducted during the summer, but will resume the last week of September for October Yard of the Month. The first place winner receives a \$50 gift certificate from Plants for All Seasons and a \$25 gift certificate is awarded for honorable mention.

Lakewood Forest Garden Club's annual fundraiser, the Fall Plant Sale, is coming soon! Vouchers will be available from members in September for purchasing plants to add fall color to our yards.







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## Gardening Hints From the Pro, Sherri

#### **August Lawn and Garden To-Do List**

#### In The Lawn

- Watch for chinch bugs to start working. They are a little later than normal this year with all the rain. Chinch bugs thrive in dry areas and work their way through your lawn. If you know your sprinklers are getting good coverage and there are growing brown areas, start looking for chinch bugs. You must treat ASAP to prevent them from killing your lawn. I recommend a .2% granular bifinthrin and water it in deep. There are a lot of insecticides that claim to kill chinch bugs, but in my experience, the bifinthrin works the fastest and lasts the longest. If you're not sure if you have chinch bugs, bring in pictures of the lawn, and cut out a 10"x10" section of grass and soil in an area that is going from good to bad so we can see the transition and check for live bugs.
- Feed with MicroLife Hybrid to maintain a lush, healthy lawn without burning.
- Check sprinklers to make sure your coverage is good and adjust the timer based on rainfall. If we continue to stay wet, turn off the sprinklers until the grass looks like it needs it. When you do water, water deep, and infrequently. This will create deeper root systems.

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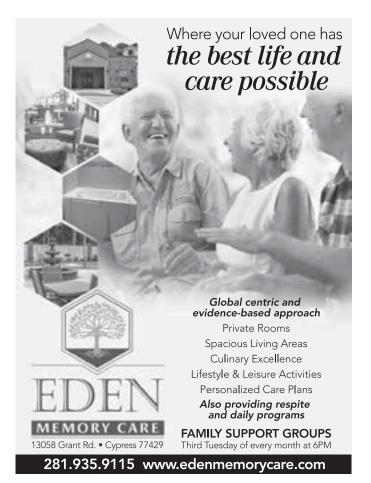
#### In the Flowerbeds

- It's not too late to add flowers to your landscape.

  Just remember not to rely on your sprinklers to do the watering the first two weeks or so. Do some hose watering if they start to show any signs of wilt. Once their little root systems have branched out into the bed soil, you can back off the hose water and leave it to the sprinkler system.
- Keep everything well fed with Nelsons Colorstar every four to six weeks to keep everything blooming and happy!
- Make sure to add leafmold compost when planting to help retain moisture, and then add an inch of native hardwood mulch to keep your soil from drying out and keep weeds to a minimum.

#### In the Veggie Garden

- It's time to plant your fall tomatoes! Rip out your tired spring tomatoes and replace with new plants ASAP!
   Sometimes you can get tomatoes through Christmas if you get them planted in time. The growers usually have them ready about the second to third week in July.
- Make sure to feed your veggies regularly. My favorite is Ladybug Healthy Harvest.



- You can start these seeds directly in the garden now:
  - Artichoke
  - Cucumber
  - Summer and Winter Squash
  - Tomatillo
  - Pumpkin
- There's so much more to add to the garden next month, so prepare the unplanted areas of your garden for all your Fall crops by adding Revitalizer Compost and a layer of native mulch.

Don't forget that we brew fresh compost tea available every Saturday and Sunday. Visit with Cody and Matt at the store for more info on the benefits and uses of aerated Compost Tea!

#### TRASH REMINDER

All trash/recycle containers must be stored out of view at all times, except for after 6 p.m. the night before trash pickup.

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#### Swim Team Update

# Congratulations on a great season!

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All skill levels welcome and there is no need to provide your own partner.

Cost \$3 for LRC members, \$5 for nonmembers Balls are provided

#### **General Play Format:**

- Matches will last for 30 minutes.
- In order to keep on schedule, when the whistle blows, **stop** play; whoever is ahead gets that game.
- At the end of each match there will be a court rotation.
- King of the Court type format Winners move up to next court, but switch partners with new opponents. Losers stay/ move down, but switch partners with new opponents. The idea is you will play with many partners in an evening.

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Lakewood Forest Civic Association
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Articles can be emailed to Lfcivicnuz@aol.com Call Barbara at 281-370-3183 with questions.

#### **Attention All Residents**

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Questions regarding the newsletter go to **Barbara**, 281-370-3183. If you wish to place an ad in the newsletter, please contact Champions Printing & Publishing, Inc.

#### **Get ACC Approval Before Building!**

Lakewood Forest is a Deed Restricted community. The Fund's Architectural Control Committee (ACC) must approve all exterior remodeling and building projects before the project begins. The Fund has the necessary legal authority to enforce this rule.



#### **Clean Up After Pets**

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