



Lakewood Forest Fund (HOA)

Serving the Residents of Lakewood Forest



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PUBLIC SERVICE VOTER INFORMATION
FOR LAKEWOOD FOREST SUBDIVISION



The **General Midterm Election of 2022** will be held on **Tuesday, November 8**. America is blessed to have a democratic republic that allows its citizens to select their representatives. We can have a republic **of the people, by the people and for the people** only if we participate in the process. LWF voters will select from a long list of 82 contested races with the new **U.S. Congressional Representative of District #38** at the top of the ballot and 3 bond issues at the end of the ballot. The bulk of the ballot is the 68 judicial court races. See <https://harrisvotes.com/> for your sample ballot. Print it off, mark it up and take it with you when you go to vote.

The three **Harris County bond issues** at the end of the ballot total \$1.2 Billion in spending and the imposition of taxes sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the bonds.

If you are not registered to vote, obtain a voter's registration application and register to vote 30 days before the election. The last day to register to vote is **October 11**. You may obtain a voter registration application from the Harris County Voter Registrar online at <https://www.hctax.net/Voter/Registration>.

You must be a U.S. citizen to register to vote. You must be at least 17 years and 10 months old to register. Your voter registration will become effective 30 days after it is received or on your 18th birthday, whichever is later. If you recently moved to Harris County, you must re-register at your new residence. To vote you must be a resident of Harris County, not a felon, and have not been declared mentally incompetent by a court of law.

You must be registered to be eligible to vote. Registered voters are issued Voter Registration Certificates. The current Voter Registration Certificate has a light blue background. It has useful information on it but it is not required to vote. A Texas driver's license is the best photographic identification to use. Specific alternative forms of voter photo identification are also acceptable.

It is recommended to vote early in person. To vote early in person, appear in person at any Early Voting Location with your photo ID during the early voting dates **October 24 to November 4**. You may vote early at any location listed at <https://harrisvotes.com>.

To obtain a ballot by mail, contact the County Clerk at 713-755-6965 or online at www.harrisvotes.com. However, if you request a ballot by mail then decide to vote in

person, you must give the unused mail ballot to the Election Judge to be allowed to vote a regular ballot in person.

To vote on Election Day November 8, you may vote at any polling location with a photo ID between 7am and 7 pm. See www.harrisvotes.com for a list of polling locations.

If you need further assistance, contact your precinct chairman at dracam@aol.com.

LAKEWOOD FOREST CIVIC ASSOCIATION ANNUL MEETING & ELECTION
Tuesday, October 4th
@ Fund Office, 12415 Louetta Road
7:00 to 8:00 PM

The Civic Association's annual meeting for all members will be held on Tuesday, October 4th, 7 p.m. at the Fund Office, 12415 Louetta Rd, Cypress, TX 77429. We will be presenting our 2022 - 2023 Budget for approval by the membership, we will be electing five officers and three board members. If you would like to nominate someone, including yourself, to serve your neighborhood or would like more information, please email LakewoodForestCivicAssociation@gmail.com. Any resident of Lakewood Forest who is a member in good standing of the Civic Association may run for a position. To be in good standing, one must be a resident and have paid their \$10 annual membership dues for the membership year that begins September 1st.

The candidates up for election are:

President- Jodi Cole

Vice President- Open

Recording Secretary- Linda Musthaler

Corresponding Secretary- Open

Treasurer- Scott Johnson

Position 2- Mary Blacklock

Position 4- Open

Position 6- Lori Estepp

Community Events/Outreach

**LAKEWOOD FOREST SHOWS OUR MILITARY MEMBERS
SOME HOMETOWN LOVE**



For several years now, the Lakewood Forest Civic Association has spearheaded a program to send care packages to residents currently serving in the military. The packages are sent in November to coincide with the holidays. They contain things like snacks, personal hygiene items, holiday-themed items, gift cards, and more.

A Senior Airman who received a package previously sent the following note to let us know his appreciation:

Thank you very much for the holiday care package. I am so grateful for this thoughtful gift and all the time and effort that y'all put into bringing me a slice of home. It warms my heart to know that the community I was so lucky to grow up in has so much love and pride for me and my fellow service members. It can be hard being away from my home and my family, especially during the holidays, but it's these small reminders that make me think of home and the people I am serving for. God bless you all and Merry Christmas.

If you know someone who would enjoy receiving a package from their Lakewood Forest community, please send an email to Linda Musthaler at lmusthaler@sbcglobal.net or call her at 832-247-5854. In previous years we have sent packages to between 4 and 15 service members serving in the U.S. or abroad. It's up to you to nominate the recipients. They must live/have lived in Lakewood Forest and be on active military duty away from home. They must be a direct family member of a Lakewood Forest resident: son, daughter, mother, father, brother, sister, husband, or wife.

If you would like to make a cash donation to this project, please send your check made out to the Lakewood Forest Civic Association and note that it is for "military care packages." Send it to the association's mailing address, 13121 Louetta Road, PMB #1025, Cypress, TX 77429.

If you would like to donate items to go in the boxes, please email Linda to coordinate your donations. We are accepting small items that fit into a standard USPS large shipping box. Food items must be individually wrapped. New items only, please. All donations must be received by November 10.



National Night Out

October 8, 4:00-7:00pm

4:30pm- CERT Demo

5:00pm-Live Music

5:30- Tacos

6:00pm- K9 Demo



**Russ Poppe Park
11675 Grant Rd,
Cypress, Tx 77429**



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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
Hosted by Lakewood Forest Civic Association & Lakewood Forest Fund (HOA)
Saturday, October 8th
@ Russ Poppe Family Park, 11675 Grant Road
4:00 to 7:00 PM

Our National Night Out event, hosted by the Lakewood Forest Civic Association in association with the Lakewood Forest Fund, will be held Saturday, October 8 at Russ Poppe Park located at 11675 Grant Rd, Cypress, Tx 77429. This event is free for all Lakewood Forest residents.

Meet your local first responders, including our very own Lakewood Forest Precinct 4 Constables. Watch and learn from our K9 and CERT demos. With emergency vehicles for the kids to explore, your kids are sure to enjoy seeing all the bells and whistles on the fire truck and ambulance.

We'll have an even bigger inflatable playground this year for the kiddos. While the kids are playing, adults can relax and listen to the live band starting at 5pm. Enjoy some street tacos and dessert on us. Tacos will be served at 5:30pm. Don't forget your drink tickets when you sign in so you can enjoy a couple of adult beverages. Karbach Brewing Company and Paradigm Brewing have graciously donated alcoholic beverages for our community event.

Bring your own chair or blanket to spread out on the lawn. This event is sure to be fun for the entire family. We hope to see you all there!

Thank you to our sponsors, including HEB Grant Market, Paradigm Brewing, and Karbach Brewing Company.



FALL COMMUNITY WIDE GARAGE SALE
Hosted by Lakewood Forest Civic Association
November 11th, 12th, 13th

@ each resident's home/set your own hours

Empty the attic and clean out the closets! It's time once again for the semi-annual Lakewood Forest Community Garage Sale!

If you plan to have a fall garage sale, this is a good time to hold it, as garage sale enthusiasts from all over northwest Houston come to shop one sale after another in our neighborhood. Shoppers know that Lakewood Forest holds a community sale and they look forward to it.

The community sale runs on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 11, 12 and 13. You choose which days and hours you want to operate your sale on your own property.

This activity is sponsored by the Lakewood Forest Civic Association. The LFCA will advertise the community event through various online avenues and with banners and signs around the subdivision.

Residents are highly encouraged to put out their own directional signage the weekend of the sale, such as a bright "garage sale" sign with your own address, placed at major cross streets. Please be courteous when you put out your signs—don't place staked signs in the esplanades and don't post anything on stop signs. Posters on boxes held in place with stones is a good approach for your personal signage. Also, experienced sellers recommend registering your sale on this app: <https://gsalr.com>.

You are responsible for removing your signs and cleaning up your trash at the end of your sale. Please keep Lakewood Forest beautiful!

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Hosted by Lakewood Forest Civic Association & Lakewood Forest Fund (HOA)

Saturday, December 3rd

@ LRC, 15006 Lakewood Forest Drive

9:00 to 11:00 AM

HO! HO! HO!

Keep your eyes open on the morning of December 3rd as Santa Claus cruises through the neighborhood on his way to the Lakewood Residents' Club to meet with the youngsters of Lakewood Forest.

Join your volunteer board members for a HOLLY JOLLY good time and a visit with Santa Claus as we celebrate the start of the Christmas season.



Lakewood Forest Community Events is looking for a sponsor for our annual BREAKFAST with SANTA event! Are you a business owner or do you work for a local company that would be interested in being a sponsor for this event? This event is a very well attended and well loved by our residents where Santa Claus pays us a special visit for the children of Lakewood! Our event features breakfast tacos, donuts and a coffee bar this year. Can your company help us make this years event extra special? Email **Sandy Matto** if interested.



LAKEWOOD RESIDENTS' CLUB
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October Monthly Meeting of HOA Board of Trustees

Monday, October 3, 2022

Residents may attend open session via video conference.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4904165823?pwd=Z3NQemlpYnFORTY4eGRQVWJJWENRUT09>

Open Session commences via ZOOM @ 7:00 PM

Meeting ID: 490 416 5823 Passcode: 8Pk2mk

Agenda to be posted on the association website approximately
6 days prior to actual meeting date

2022 Meeting Dates

Nov. 7th & Dec. 5th

2023 Meeting Dates

Jan. 2, Feb. 27 (Annual), Mar. 6,

Apr. 3, May 1, Jun. 5,

Jul. 3, Aug. 7, Sep. 11,

Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4

DEED RESTRICTION REMINDERS

Holiday Decorations/Lighting

Holiday decorations on a Lot shall not require review and approval by the ACC Committee. Such decorations shall not unreasonably and adversely affect neighboring homes. Holiday decorations may not be displayed earlier than 30 days before the holiday and must be removed within 15 days of the conclusion of the holiday.



**BOARD CANDIDATE SOLICITATION NOTICE FOR
2023 ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERSHIP**

The 2023 Annual Meeting of the Members of Lakewood Forest Fund, Inc. "The HOA" will be held in February 2023 with the official meeting notice to be mailed approximately 60 days prior to the scheduled meeting date. At that meeting, four (4) board positions will be expiring therefore an election will be held to fill these seats.

In order to be effective, a homeowners association needs a strong board of directors that understands its role and pursues it with passion and a concise mission in mind. If you are interested in serving the Lakewood Forest community as a volunteer board member and would like to be included on the electronic ballot & proxy, it is requested that the following information be submitted electronically to **hoa@lakewoodforestfund.com** no later than 5:00 PM on December 1st, 2022.

Item 1: Submit name and property address located in subdivision

Item 2: Submit a candidate statement consisting of one paragraph (no more than 6 sentences) to introduce yourself, share your involvement in the community thus far, and address (1) specific accomplishment you would like to see initiated by the board in 2023. (Note: Only the first (6) sentences of each candidate statement will be published).

Item 3: Submit a current photo in jpeg form which will be included on the electronic ballot and posted on the association website.

Any submissions received after the deadline date will not be included on the electronic ballot or proxy. If you decide at a later date that you want to run for a position on the Board, nominations will be taken from the floor at the meeting.

“Model Code of Ethics for Community Association Board Members as presented by Community Association Institute”

Board Members should:

- Strive at all times to serve the best interests of the association as a whole regardless of their personal interests.
- Use sound judgment to make the best possible business decisions for the association, taking into consideration all available information, circumstances and resources.
- Act within the boundaries of their authority as defined by law and the governing documents of the association.
- Provide opportunities for residents to comment on decisions facing the association.
- Perform their duties without bias for or against any individual or group of owners or non-owner residents.
- Disclose personal or professional relationships with any company or individual who has or is seeking to have a business relationship with the association.
- Conduct open, fair and well-publicized elections.
- Always speak with one voice, supporting all duly-adopted board decisions even if the board member was in the minority regarding actions that may not have obtained unanimous consent.

Questions may be directed to **hoa@lakewoodforestfund.com** or via phone to 281-370-8943.



From the Lakewood Forest Board of Trustees
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Martin Cuellar, Trustee
Sandy Matto, Community Events /Outreach Chair & Trustee



LAKEWOOD FOREST GARDEN CLUB



LAKEWOOD FOREST GARDEN CLUB PLANT SALE IS GOING ON NOW

The Garden Club is currently having their annual plant sale and selling vouchers for the following:

18 count flat of plants - \$30.00 (10% discount for 10 flats or more)

Shredded Hardwood Mulch, 2 cu. ft bags - \$5.00

7 lb jug Microlife 6-2-4 - \$24.00

All items purchased are to be picked up from **Plants For All Seasons** on Hwy 249. Vouchers will be for sale until November 4th. They can be redeemed from 10/1 - 11/21/22. Assistance will be available from employees of Plants For All Seasons for plant selection and planting instructions.

This is our only fundraiser of the year and the proceeds are used for charitable causes in our area, such as, LWF Scholarship Fund, Matzke Butterfly Garden, Mercer Arboretum, Reach Unlimited and others. These groups greatly appreciated your support in the past and hope we can count on you again.

Now that the heat has finally calmed down it is a great time to add some seasonal color to your yard that can last throughout the winter. Please reach out to any Lakewood Forest Garden Club member for information or to purchase vouchers. Or, you can call Dawn Bramwell (281-797-9172), Kathy Rogers (713-254-1936), or Gail Bramwell (832-721-2654).

If you have an interest in gardening, gardens, or anything related, come to one of our monthly meetings and check us out. Meetings are held the 1st Friday of the month from September through May at 9:30 a.m. at the Scouting/Community Ministries Building behind Lakewood United Methodist Church, 11330 Louetta Rd, Houston, TX 77070. We have informative and fun topics, often with guest speakers, each month. We also do several field trips a year. This month we are going to Martha's Bloomers for shopping and lunch and then on to Antique Rose Emporium. Come check us out and see what fun you are missing!

Now that it has finally cooled down enough to get outside, what can you plant in Houston? Broccoli, greens, squash, peas, beans, and root vegetables, like beets, green onions, and turnips do well in fall gardens. And, surprisingly, tomatoes are a good option. They die off in our hot summers but can do quit well in the fall.



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