



## Lakewood Forest Fund (HOA)

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*Serving the Residents of Lakewood Forest*



e-NEWS May 2020

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**Congratulations Class of 2020**

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## Drive-Thru Document Shredding Event

Saturday, May 9, 9am-1pm  
Moore Elementary School  
13734 Lakewood Forest Drive

**This event has not been cancelled  
and will be held as scheduled.**

The HOA and Texas Pride Disposal in conjunction with their partner Shred-It will host the 2020 annual document shredding event.

This is a drive thru event so please have documents in trunk or rear of vehicle.

**What:** All paper documents, including staples, paper clips and file folders.

**How:** Bring all documents to be shredded to the Moore Elementary parking lot. Documents will be shredded while you are present.

**Important Note:** This event is only for doc shredding; an E-Waste recycling event will happen later in the year and will be curbside.

Shredded items will be recycled by our partners at Shred-It.



## MONTHLY CONSTABLE STATS

**April Constable  
Stats**

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## HOW IS YOUR ANNUAL ASSESSMENT UTILIZED?

Lakewood Forest Board of Trustees encourage owners to review the HOA budget on an annual basis so you are aware of how your assessment is utilized. Every year the budget is published on the website and includes the cost of services per household.

**2020 HOA  
Budget**



## A THANK YOU TO OUR FIRST RESPONDERS

As part of our community outreach program, box meals were delivered in April to Lakewood HCPCT4 Constable Substation and Cypress Creek Fire Department. It was an opportunity to let our first responders know how thankful we are for their service. Also, thank you to board members, Scott Johnson and Sandy Matto for planning and delivering these lunches on behalf of the HOA.

Lakewood Forest is on 70/30 contract with Harris County for Constable Patrol by Precinct 4. We have (1) lieutenant and (4) deputies who devote seventy percent of their working time to provide law enforcement services to our community. In the first quarter of 2020, officers dedicated to Lakewood Forest responded to a total of 1,096 calls within our subdivision with average response time to 911 calls being 3-5 minutes.

The monthly cost paid by the HOA for this patrol is \$ 32,574.00 per month which equates to a household cost of \$ 12.45/per month or \$149.40/annually. This is the second highest expense in our operating budget coming in behind trash and recycling expense.

To receive daily updates from Constable Mark Herman's office, visit their Facebook page.



## Grant Road Wall Replacement Project

The HOA is excited to announce that phase 1 is expected to be completed within a few days. Finding placement of the new wall was challenging due to numerous utilities located in this area with the majority not being properly identified. The HOA and Lake Forest Utility District were able to reach a mutual agreement which allowed the HOA to continue with the construction within close proximity of their sewer line so as to avoid numerous shallow lines scattered throughout this easement. Residents on Flintstone Drive have now recovered approximately 3 feet of land in their backyard.

Phase 2A running from west side of Gardenglen to east side of EMS station will commence next week.

### IMPORTANT NOTE

Absolutely no objects, vegetation (especially ivy) or fencing may be attached to the new HOA wall because this will void the warranty. In addition, once the wall is complete the sand base will be removed so there will be a gap

If your address is listed below, your home will border the new perimeter wall and you should have received an email and letter dated April 30th from the Fund Office to determine which phase pertains to your property, and so that you are aware of your responsibilities during this project.

Please contact the Fund Office immediately if you did not receive this communication or if you have any questions.

281-370-8943

[gm@lakewoodforestfund.com](mailto:gm@lakewoodforestfund.com)

Flintstone Drive  
12003  
12005  
12007  
12011  
12015  
12019

Gardenglen Drive  
12031  
12034

underneath the wall. This gap may not be covered and there should be no horizontal pressure (psi) placed on the new wall whatsoever, because over an extended period of time this will affect the integrity of the wall. This means that no dirt/mulch or landscaping (trees, shrubs, plants) may be placed within two (2) feet of the new wall. The Fund staff will be monitoring the wall as part of their routine inspections to ensure that the gap underneath stays clear along with the two (2) foot clearance.

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Fawnview Drive  
12119  
12122  
12123

Glenway Drive  
12135  
12139

Cypresswood Drive  
12311  
12315  
12322

Knobcrest Drive  
12411  
12414

Laneview Drive  
12423

N. Eldridge Pkwy  
13802

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**Thank you Lakewood Residents for your cooperation and patience during this construction project.**



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## **INFO FOR CLAIM DAMAGES INITIATED BY N. ELDRIDGE CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY CIP**

For those residents who experienced damages to their yard during the N. Eldridge traffic project, you may contact HCRM to file a damage claim. Harris County Risk Management (HCRM) is the department that evaluates damage claims for all Harris County agencies. Each resident must contact HCRM directly to file a damage claim. Phone number is 713-274-5469.

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## **STREET SWEEPERS IN LAKEWOOD FOREST**

**Thank you Commissioner Cagle and team!**

HCPCT4 maintenance team members have intermittently been sweeping the streets of Lakewood Forest. These maintenance members perform work in our community primarily based on work order requests placed by HOA staff and residents. Common requests submitted are storm drain, curb & street repairs, street sign cleaning, street sweeping and street sign replacement. Please feel free to contact the HOA office with any concerns or submit a maintenance request through the homeowner portal.

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**ELVIS**



**FALL 2020**

**LAKWOOD FOREST  
FUND (HOA)  
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**2020 MONTHLY  
MEETING SCHEDULE**

Open Session Meetings  
commence @ 7 PM

Agendas are posted  
to website a few days  
in advance of meeting.

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Fund Office  
12415 Louetta Rd

June 1st

July 6th

August 3rd

September 14th

October 5th

November 2nd

December 7th

Contact the Fund Office  
in advance if you would  
like to be placed on  
the agenda to address  
the Board.

**RESERVE  
FUNDING**

Since inception  
of the initial  
reserve study  
conducted in  
2016, the HOA  
has been fully  
funding the  
reserve account  
on an annual  
basis.

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2020  
Contribution  
\$ 93,000

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Current balance  
\$ 811,770.65

**BOARD MEMBER - BIO OF THE MONTH**

Bob Lewis, President

I have been a member of the Lakewood Forest Board for the last 4-years where I currently serve as the President. I bring a unique perspective as a Residential and Commercial Realtor. Number 1, I pledge to continue to focus on ensuring that Lakewood Forest is

one of the safest neighborhoods in Houston. Also, I will support the vital work on our infrastructure, including maintenance of the perimeter walls, maintenance of the Marquee signs and monuments, the maintenance of the Dick Taylor pond, landscape replacement of dead and missing trees in our esplanades, maintenance of our irrigation systems, and others as outlined in the Reserve Study. Finally, I support continuing current and future beautification projects such as the landscaping of Grant Road, tree trimming, as well as yearly on-going beautification projects.



### Routine Landscape Maintenance

Routine landscape maintenance should include mowing, edging, weeding, watering & curb clean up. In addition, fertilizing, shrub/tree trimming, pine needle removal & weeding of expansion joints should occur on an as need basis. Thank you for keeping Lakewood Forest beautiful!

## 21st Annual Lakewood Forest Civic Association Memorial Scholarship Award Class of 2020 Winners Announced

The Lakewood Forest Civic Association is very pleased to announce that **Ethan Maloney, Thu Le, Mallory Irion, and Kylie Ament** are the 2020 recipients of our 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Memorial Scholarship Award program. We congratulate these outstanding high school seniors on their winning essays and their student accomplishments. We wish each of them the best of luck in their future pursuits.

The Civic Association received 10 very competitive entries. Our Scholarship Committee worked very hard on evaluating and scoring all the entries. The judges voted to award 4 scholarships this year. The LFCA Board unanimously agreed to award \$800 to each winner.

Each year, the individual award amounts and the number of scholarship awards granted can vary. The most important factor in our scholarship selection process is the essay the seniors submitted. This year's essay topic was "What makes a good leader?". Secondary consideration is given to academic achievements, achievements earned outside the classroom, and volunteer/community service. Scholarship entries are scored blindly with a student's identifying information marked out.

The Civic Association's Memorial Scholarship Award program is primarily essay based, rather than GPA/class rank/academic merit based, or needs based. This is so every Lakewood Forest senior can qualify and have an equitable shot at competing for a scholarship award. We strongly encourage all Class of 2021 students to submit an entry

next year.

The Memorial Scholarship Award program originated as a tribute to our area students who died or were injured in a tragic nighttime bus crash on December 21, 1999. On the return leg of a 6-day ski trip to Colorado sponsored by a local church, the bus spun at a curve, slid off the roadway backwards, and rolled down a 40-foot embankment. The crash resulted in 3 fatalities, 33 serious injuries and 24 minor injuries.

The Memorial Scholarship Award program is just part of what your Civic Association is able to do with your modest \$10 annual voluntary membership dues. If you are not yet a member, please consider becoming one today.

Congratulations again to Thu, Ethan, Mallory, and Kylie. We also salute all of our Class of 2020 graduates from Cypress Creek High School, Tomball Memorial High School, homeschool, and private school. You all make Lakewood Forest very proud!



## Ethan Maloney \* Thu Le \* Mallory Irion \* Kylie Ament

Ethan Maloney, a Cypress Creek High School senior, and son of Kevin Maloney is one of 4 Annual Memorial Scholarship Award winners this year. Although Ethan lost his mother to cancer when he was only 4, that did not let him stop him from achieving his full potential. Ethan is ranked 29<sup>th</sup> in his class, and a member of Rho Kappa, the National Honor Society and the Spanish National Honor Society. Not only is Ethan a captain of a soccer team, he also was the treasurer for the Ping Pong Club and the National Honor Society. After Hurricane Harvey Ethan

Thu Le, a Tomball Memorial High School senior, and daughter of Tung and Dao Le, is one of 4 Annual Memorial Scholarship Award winners this year. Thu's commitment to her family and values is apparent in her achievements. She is ranked 13<sup>th</sup> in her senior class and a member of the National Honor Society. Thu volunteers with the Key Club and in Our Lady of Lavang Church Leadership-Teacher Assistant program. Thu has multiple medals for Cross Country and Track, has placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Rodeo Art competition, and received the

volunteered 30 hours rebuilding homes in the greater Houston area. He will be attending the McCombs School of Business at the University of Texas in Austin this fall. The Lakewood Forest Civic Association is pleased to grant Ethan Maloney the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Memorial Scholarship Award in the amount of \$800.

Regional Scholastic Silver Key Writing Award. Thu plans to major in biochemistry at Texas A&M or the University of Texas at Austin this Fall. The Lakewood Forest Civic Association is pleased to grant Thu Le the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Memorial Scholarship Award in the amount of \$800.

Mallory Irion, a Tomball Memorial High School senior and daughter of Todd and Gretchen Irion, is one of 4 Annual Memorial Scholarship Award winners this year. Mallory was a Demi-soloist in the Houston Repertoire Ballet. In the Tomball Memorial High Chambers and Symphonic Orchestra, Mallory has held officer seats in addition to being a member. Mallory is ranked 16<sup>th</sup> and is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society and the National Honor Society of High School Scholars. Mallory spends her time volunteering with the National Charity League and has held multiple leadership positions including, VP Philanthropy and webmaster. She has won such awards as the Junior Presidential Award, Chapter Outstanding Ticktocker Award, and the AP-IV Diploma de Mejor Esfuerzo. Mallory will be attending the University of Texas at Austin in the fall to major in Biochemistry. The Lakewood Forest Civic Association is pleased to grant Mallory Irion the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Memorial Scholarship Award in the amount of \$800.

Kylie Ament, a senior at Cypress Creek High School and daughter of Melissa and Charles Ament is one of 4 Annual Memorial Scholarship Award winners this year. Kylie's academic and athletic schedule is nothing short of impressive. She is captain of the Cross County & Track team, a level 9 gymnast and the manager of the girl's basketball team. Kylie is also an active member of the National Honor Society, Future Business Leaders of America, and Rho Kappa. On top of this demanding schedule, she volunteers with the Key Club, Human Environment Animal Team, and the Interact Club. After graduating in the top 8%, Kylie hopes to get her masters in 5 years by joining the Accelerated Master of Accountancy program at Texas A&M this fall. The Lakewood Forest Civic Association is pleased to grant Kylie Ament the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Memorial Scholarship Award in the amount of \$800.



## LAKWOOD FOREST GARDEN CLUB NEWS

The Lakewood Forest Garden Club has suspended gatherings due to the pandemic. We are in support of community efforts to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and wish all of you the best as we work through this difficult period of time.



In the meantime, many of us have one event after the other canceled giving us more time for home and garden projects. Gardening has many healthful benefits both physically and psychologically - sunshine, fresh air, exercise, and a connection with nature to lift spirits. With a bit of luck, we might even be able to harvest a few nutritious vegetables. Along with numerous other health benefits, statistics show that gardeners are among those who live the longest. Some nurseries are offering curbside pick up for plants and supplies, so dress up in your prettiest garden hat and go out to enjoy your yards. Spring is not canceled!

Carolyn Calvert, our Chaplin, contributed the following poem and encouragement.

#### SMILES

The thing that goes the farthest toward  
making life worthwhile  
that costs the least and does the  
most is just a pleasant smile.

The smile that bubbles from the heart  
that loves its fellowman  
will drive away the cloud of gloom  
and coax the sun again.

It's full of worth and goodness, too,  
with manly kindness blent.  
It's worth a million dollars and  
doesn't cost a cent.

There's no room for sadness when we  
see a cheerful smile.  
It always has the same good look. It's  
never out of style.

It pushes us on to try again when  
failure makes us blue.  
The dimples of encouragement are  
gold for me and you.

It pays a higher interest, for it is  
merely lent.  
It's worth a million dollars and  
doesn't cost a cent.





A smile comes very easy. You can  
wrinkle up with cheer  
a hundred times before you can  
squeeze out a single tear.

It ripples out moreover to the heart  
strings that will tug  
and always leaves an echo that's  
mighty like a hug.

So, smile away! Folks understand what  
that by a smile is meant.  
It's worth a million dollars and  
doesn't cost a cent.

- Anonymous

May God bless each of you and hold you  
tightly. He will not give you more than you  
can bear in your life.

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## YARD OF THE MONTH

Yard of the Month for April was judged the last part of March in Area C Sections 8 & 11. First Place was awarded to Bartrand and Patrizia Pourteau at 12019 Laneview Drive. Honorable Mentions went to Dwight and Dawn Bramwell at 12114 Laneview Drive and to Donna Campbell at 12322 Knobcrest Drive. Congratulations!

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## MAY GARDEN HINTS

by Sherri Harrah

In the veggie garden: It's time to plant cucumber, cantaloupe, corn, eggplant, okra,

peppers, Summer squash, tomatillo, watermelon, basil, catmint, chives, cilantro, dill, fennel, lemongrass, mint, nasturtium, oregano, parsley, rosemary, sage, and thyme. All of these can be planted from seed, or transplants purchased from the nursery. It is now too late to successfully grow tomatoes, put them on your calendar for a Fall crop to be planted in July/August

In the flowerbeds: If you haven't planted your Summer flowers you still have time!!! A few things that like it HOT are Angelonia, Gomphrena, Zinnia, Purslane, Vinca, Lantana, Blue daze.....and so much more!!! Make sure you prepare your beds by adding compost and fertilizer before you plant and always add a hardwood mulch after planting to help retain moisture during the Summer months.

In the lawn: DO NOT USE WEED KILLERS WITH A HEAT RESTRICTION!!! Always consult the label, if you're not sure, ask us. St Augustine and weed killers are not friends when it's hot!! We will help you get the right product that won't damage your lawn. If you have areas of your lawn that dry out fast you can treat with Hydretain, this will promote water penetration and loosen compacted soil.

Trees and Shrubs: Azaleas are finished blooming and it's time to prune and feed them. Don't cut more than 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of their height and feed 1 X a month for 3 months in a row with MicroLife Acidifer plant food.



## LAKEWOOD RESIDENTS' CLUB

swim • social • tennis

Join us and have some fun!

The area's premier private swim and tennis club - built for families!

The club is in the heart of Lakewood Forest subdivision in northwest Houston. We are a member-owned club that is open to anyone regardless of where they reside. Become a member and enjoy lively social events, a strong tennis league program and more. 25% off of membership for new members. Contact Info: 281-376-1893, lakewoodresidentsclub@gmail.com or [www.lakewoodrc.org](http://www.lakewoodrc.org)



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