



Lakes Of Brightwater

SUMMER 2015

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COMING EVENTS

HOA MONTHLY MEETINGS

Clubhouse, 6:00 PM

Tuesday, July 21

Tuesday, August 18

Tuesday, September 15

NEIGHBORHOOD COFFEE

Clubhouse, 10-11:30 AM

Monday, September 14

BRIGHTWATER GARDEN CLUB

Clubhouse, 6:30 PM

Resumes Monday,

September 28

EVENING

NEEDLEWORKERS

Members' homes, 7 PM

Resumes Monday,

September 7

INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

Brightwater Dr. at

Frost Lake Ct.

July 4, 10 AM

POOL CLOSING

Monday, September 7

10 AM-6 PM

From the Board of Directors

The Brightwater Annual Meeting held June 2 saw the election of two incumbent Directors, Rita McMahon and Dylan Russell, along with a newcomer, Judy Kay, who replaced Kathy Renfrow on the Board. We welcome Judy to her new position and extend our sincere appreciation to Kathy for her four years' of service and support to Brightwater. We also thank those homeowners who attended or submitted proxies for this important meeting.

Attendees were joined by a number of City representatives including newly-elected City Councilman for District C, Anthony Maroulis; Lt. Kevin Burleson of the Missouri City Police Department; Scott Elmer, Assistant City Manager; Paul McKeever with the City's Code Enforcement Department; and Kelly Matte, Community Relations Coordinator. We appreciate the updates and information they shared with our residents!

As to improvements within Brightwater, the Board is finalizing bids on a total replacement of the structure in the Boat Park (adjacent to the tennis courts); the drainage and lighting project for Northshore Park has been implemented and further adjustments will be made as needed; and we are continuing to work with Lake Management to improve the appearance of our two lakes (recent rains have caused increased debris and vegetation and the color has faded).

-- Rita McMahon, Board President

BRIGHTWATER RESIDENTIAL DIRECTORY UPDATE

Recently, HOA residents received a questionnaire to be completed for the next Brightwater Directory. Unfortunately, there was some information missing from the form and the Communications Committee has decided to revise it. Because this is a project undertaken by volunteers within our neighborhood and takes a great deal of planning and work, the Committee with the approval of the Board will be publishing the Directory next spring.

Please disregard the earlier form -- we will update residents on this project in the Fall issue of the newsletter and via eBulletin. By the way, if you would like to subscribe to the eBulletin, please send an e-mail to monty@preparedpublications.com.

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Brightwater Yards of the Month
Independence Day Parade

Grounds Committee Update:

The recent rains have kept the Grounds Committee busy! Everything is growing rapidly and our tree trimming service has worked to keep trees in our common areas well above the 13 foot code restriction over streets and 8 foot over sidewalks. Missouri City Code Enforcement constantly visits neighborhoods to check for violations so be aware of these height restrictions in your own yard. Remember that limbs must be cut to 4-foot lengths and bundled for trash pickup.

Many of our Bradford Pears have exceeded their life expectancy and have become deformed or present a fall hazard. Though we may hate to see them go, we are removing them as needed and will replace them with hardier trees with seasonal colors.

Betty Grant
Chairperson, Grounds Committee

Needleworkers:

The Evening Sewing Group is on summer break and will resume meeting on Monday, September 7, at 7:00 PM. Come visit with us as you do your needlework. Call Elaine at 281-499-6660 for more information.

SEECCLICKFIX

This service, provided by Missouri City, allows residents to report issues or concerns to the City for correction and clarification. Residents can report on uncollected tree branches, abandoned cars, low hanging tree branches, vehicle violations, etc. There are many wonderful aspects of this program but two stand out:

- 1.You can check to see if a problem has been reported previously and what actions were taken; and
- 2.You can report a problem anonymously (check the “anonymous” option when filing the report).

For more information or to report a concern, go to the following website: www.seeclickfix.com/missouri-city. You can also download a mobile app (click the link at the top of the page).

CITED VIOLATIONS

Property maintenance violations in Missouri City are inspected by code enforcement officers who proactively inspect their assigned areas, as well as respond to citizen concerns received about code violations. Residents are cited directly to Municipal Court for these five violations:

- Damaged pool fences
- Dirty pools
- High grass or weeds
- Junk vehicles
- Parking on the grass
- Trash cans/bags left in public view before 6:00 pm the day before or the day after pick up

The last violation is the one seen most often in Brightwater as homeowners’ lawn maintenance crews are leaving bagged grass clippings outside of the acceptable hours for trash pick-up. If you are cited, your cost for this violation is \$275.00.

Ripples

School is out for the summer and many children are walking and biking in Brightwater and surrounding neighborhoods. Be especially watchful for kids and remind your children of safety rules when crossing the street or riding their bicycles.

Hurricane season runs June 1 to November 30. Keep abreast of the latest information by visiting www.MissouriCityReady.com or listen to 1690AM on your radio for weather bulletins and advisories. You can sign up for alerts on the website.



An HOA is only as successful and productive as its active residents and volunteers. If you have a special talent or see a need in the neighborhood, please don’t hesitate to contact a board member or attend a board meeting. Meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at the Clubhouse from 6-7:30 PM, excluding June (annual meeting) and October (budget meeting).

BRIGHTWATER YARDS OF THE MONTH!



March Winner!

4127 Admiral Court



April Winner!

4306 Lakefront Court



May Winner!

1702 Pebblestone Court



June Winner!

1731 Shoreline Drive

Brightwater's Garden Club selects a Yard of the Month from homes in the neighborhood using a number of criteria. For those residents who would like to be considered, here are the standards which the Club members look for in an exceptional yard:

- Exceptional curb appeal
- Healthy and well-maintained landscaping
- Good use of color
- Balanced blending of plants
- No obvious violations of the Brightwater Architectural Guidelines*

* For more information, visit www.lakesofbrightwater.com, click on Forms and Documents, then select ACC Guidelines.

Come Join The Fun!

Brightwater Garden Club

We meet the 4th Monday, September to November and January to April, at the Clubhouse for programs about all aspects of gardening in this area. Our first meeting is Monday, September 28 at 6:30 PM. For more information call Nancy Hudson 281-403-9269 or Diane Giltner at 281-499-0695.

City Celebrates the Fourth

Missouri City's patriotic celebration will be held July 4th from 6-9 PM at Buffalo Run Park. Enjoy children's activities and food vendors then watch the fireworks show beginning at 9:15 PM. Stadium seating will be available at Thurgood Marshall High School.

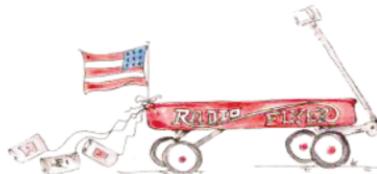
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INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

Saturday, July 4, 2015
10:00 am



Calling all kids! Decorate your bikes, trikes, scooters, wagons, strollers, and yourselves to join the neighborhood parade.

The parade will begin at 10:00am, so please arrive **before 10:00am** if you plan to be in the parade.

We will march along Brightwater Drive, **beginning at Frost Lake Ct** and ending at the swimming pool for fellowship, refreshments and prizes.

Prizes will be awarded for **Most Patriotic** and **Most Original** decorations. All parade participants will receive a goodie bag.

Calling all adults!

We welcome you to participate in the march or to come out to your front yard or along the parade route to cheer on the children.

We also need volunteers to help with set up, keeping children on the parade route, and refreshments. Please e-mail Rachana Shah at rachu23@hotmail.com or Christy Hsieh at christyandbin@gmail.com to volunteer.

Missouri City Police Department and...

MCPD March - May 2015

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

7 Alarms	4 Solicitors
1 Burglary	6 Suspicious Activity
4 Forgery *	1 Theft
1 Harassment	1 Traffic Stop

- * 2 individuals contacted by IRS re their SS# used to file tax returns fraudulently
- * 2 individuals had their identities used to open store credit cards

BCW

Pebblestone Drive resident reported door-to-door solicitors after dark. MCPD was notified and a patrol was sent to the area.

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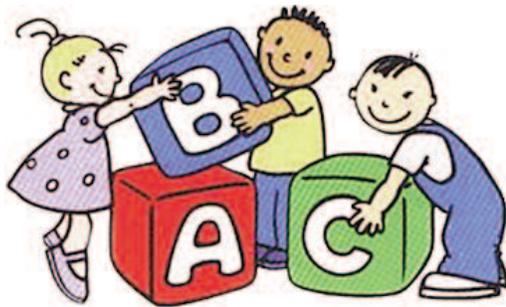
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The Brightwater Play Group will meet at the Pool on Thursday, July 2 at 4:00 PM. The Group is open to children 0-12 years old.

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

POOL AND SPLASH PAD NOW OPEN!

The Brightwater Pool and Splash Pad is open for the summer and we encourage our residents to visit and enjoy this great amenity. Pool tags are required and there is a limit of two guests per household.

Our pool and splash pad rules have been developed to ensure the safety of you and your children. They are posted at the facility and are on our website.

Brightwater Crime Watch Report

4/8 (2am) -- Bayshore resident reported Police with spotlights along the small lake. MCPD had responded to an attempted car burglary on Brightwood when the suspect jumped in the lake following a foot chase.



Note: Lieutenant Burleson reminds us that suspects steal identifying information and immediately apply for credit. Report suspicious activity near mailboxes, missing mail and check credit reports occasionally for strange cards or activity.

Police who responded to recent home invasions in Lake Olympia and Riverstone identified the victims as business owners who were followed home. Lieutenant Burleson, MCPD Liaison to Brightwater, advises all homeowners to be aware of their surroundings when leaving banks and businesses. He suggested changing routes home and being alert to someone who appears to be watching you.

**Vacation Watch: MCPD 281-403-8700
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