

# Lakes Of Brightwater



FALL 2014

**BEACON**

## COMING EVENTS

### HOA Monthly Meetings

Clubhouse 6:00 PM

Tuesday, November 18

Tuesday, December 16

Tuesday, January 20

### Neighborhood Coffee

Clubhouse 10-11:30 AM

Monday, January 12

### Brightwater Garden Club

Clubhouse 6:30 PM

Monday, November 17

Monday, January 26

Monday, February 23

### Evening Needleworkers

Members' homes 7:00 PM

For information, please call:

281-499-6660.

Monday, December 8

Monday, January 5

### Soup Social

Clubhouse 12:00-2:30 PM

Sunday, January 25

### Children's Holiday Party

Clubhouse 2-4:00 PM

Saturday, December 6

## From the Board Of Directors:

The Board met with Crest Management in mid-October to review and approve the 2014-2015 budget. There will be NO increase in HOA fees -- they will remain \$690 for the coming year. Please be sure to read any correspondence from Crest and pay careful attention to your assessment letter and statement which were mailed the first week of November. If you have not received your assessment, contact Crest.

Note that Lt. Burseson or a representative from MCPD is present at every HOA meeting at the Clubhouse. All our officers are more than happy to answer any questions you have about the City and/or our neighborhood.

We are moving forward with our goal of refurbishing/replacing our entrances and parks, including installation of new lights in Northshore Park. In the coming months, please look for notices offering opportunities for residents to provide feedback.

If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to attend a monthly HOA meeting or contact a Board member. We appreciate the ability to communicate with our neighbors and address any and all concerns.

Thank you,  
Rita McMahon  
Brightwater HOA President

## CITY LAUNCHES NEW REPORTING APP:



Missouri City now has an online and mobile smart phone application, "iReport", that allows citizens to report code enforcement violations. Using GPS to identify a citizen's location, the app allows users to submit photos taken with their smart phones, then track the status and receive progress reports of their complaint. The new application, from SeeClickFix.com, is free and available for both iPhone and Android phones (search for "Missouri City iReport"). Issues can also be reported and tracked

online at [SeeClickFix.com/Missouri-City](http://SeeClickFix.com/Missouri-City). City Code Enforcement staff respond to iReport service requests during regular business hours M-F, 8a-5p. Non-emergency issues that require immediate attention should be reported to the Police Department's non-emergency number, 281-403-8700.

**this issue**

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## Grounds Committee Update:

In the summer edition of the Beacon, residents were reminded to trim their trees. At the time, the HOA was in the process of removing several dead and/or dying Hackberry trees that posed a potential danger. We then noticed a number of trees on the west side of Brightwater Drive (along the lake) with low hanging limbs and contracted with our tree company to trim them. The work has been completed.

Hou-Scape has removed the summer color plants and added our fall-winter planting. They are also cleaning several other HOA landscape beds.

Betty Grant, Chairman  
Grounds Committee



The speed limit in Brightwater is 30 mph. Please watch your speed!



# 2014 Holiday Decoration Contest!

The Brightwater Garden Club Holiday Awards Committee will again be judging homes for outdoor Holiday decorations. Lighting, originality, creativity, and use of color and decorations are all considered in selecting the winners.



Winners of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place and three Honorable Mentions will have signs placed in their yards by members of the Garden Club. Homeowners who have won for at least three years will be recognized as being in the Hall of Fame. An Outstanding Street, Cul-de-Sac or Block is also selected, but does not include a sign.

Winners will be announced in the eBulletin in mid-December, published in the Winter 2015 Newsletter and on the Brightwater Website. (Signs will be picked up by Garden Club members between January 2 & 5.) Let's make Brightwater a destination for Holiday Sightseers once again!

Decorations must be completed by December 14 to be eligible for judging.



## Ripples



**Prescription Drug Take Back Program:** To dispose of unused or outdated drugs safely, you can drop them off at the drop box in the Missouri City Police Department lobby at 3849 Cartwright.

**Free Fire Safety Surveys:** The Missouri City Fire & Rescue Services Department is offering free home fire safety surveys to help residents identify potential fire hazards and provide the needed education to eliminate or reduce them. For more information, call 281-403-4300.

**Trash Pickup:** Brightwater is served by WCA Waste Corporation for garbage and trash collection on Wednesday and Saturday. It is both a City ordinance and HOA requirement that trash not be left at the curb before 6 p.m. the day before pick-up. Violations to this policy can be issued by Missouri City Code Enforcement, as well as by Crest Management.

# Children's Holiday Party!

Pictures with Santa  
Games  
Ornament Crafts  
Refreshments



December 6th, 2-4 p.m.  
at the Clubhouse

Children must be accompanied by a parent or adult.

## Brightwater Garden Club Invites You To Join Us!



Please join us at the Clubhouse for refreshments and to hear Fort Bend Master Gardeners and local Nursery experts tell us how to enhance our gardens. Our mission is to foster good gardening and our programs and meetings are open to the public. Our next programs are:

**November 17--**"*Container Gardening.*" Grow your own garden in very limited spaces.

**January 26, 2015--**"*Rain or Shine--Xeriscape in a Rainy Climate.*" Learn how to live with floods and droughts.

**February 23--**"*Update your Curb Appeal.*" Put some pop in your landscaping.

**March 23--**"*Landscape Water Conservation: Rainwater Harvesting.*" We'll learn to install and use rain barrels.

**April 27--**"*Backyard Vegetable Gardening.*" A longtime Brightwater resident shares his gardening expertise.

For more information call Diane Giltner at 281-499-0695 or Nancy Hudson at 281-403-9269.

# Yards of the Month for September - November



## Mail Delivery

There have been a number of complaints regarding residents receiving other homeowners' mail and/or missing mail. If you receive mail that is not addressed to you, the Missouri City Post Office requests that you contact them so they can pick it up and deliver to the correct address. It is the best way for the postal service to know about current delivery issues in our neighborhood. Please call 281-208-1832 and ask to speak to a supervisor.

## Neighborhood Coffee

The Coffee will now be offered seasonally. The next one is slated for Monday, January 12 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the Clubhouse. It will be a great time to socialize with your friends and neighbors after the holidays.

## Newsletter Advertising

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September Winner!  
4307 Westshore Court



October Winner!  
2223 Brightwater Drive



November Winner!  
4006 Waterview Court

## Missouri City Police Department and...

### MCPD August - October 2014

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

- 2 Burglaries
- 1 Solicitor

### BCW August

- Mooring Pt - items stolen from garage and fridge
- Reflection Ct - daytime theft of cash from homeowner's business

### September

- Brightwater Dr - reckless driving onto lakeside property caused tire ruts
- Lakewinds Park - homeowners wary of cars parking in area
- Shoreline - yardman's gas can stolen from homeowner's property

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# Brightwater Soup Social

**Sunday, January 25, 2015**

**12:00 - 2:30 p.m.  
at the Clubhouse**

Stop in to sample a variety of homemade soups from our community cooks and visit with your neighbors.

Bring a few cans of soup to donate to the Fort Bend Human Needs Ministry Food Bank.

If you have a favorite soup or dessert you'd like to make, please contact Kent Hudson at 832-452-5368.

Adult Residents Only, please



**Reminder:  
HOA Fees must  
be received by  
Jan. 31, 2015**

## Brightwater Crime Watch

### October

• Starboard Shores - Mailboxes vandalized with seven locks damaged.



### Be Proactive in Protecting Your Property - Report Suspicious Activity

• Keep your garage entry door and car doors locked at all times.  
• Advise contractors to secure equipment; nothing is off-limits to thieves.  
• Talk to solicitors through a closed door; never allow a stranger to enter your home.

### MCPD Tips - Newly Purchased Items

Thieves are busiest during the upcoming holiday shopping season

- record serial numbers
- don't leave shopping bags in your vehicle
- deliveries left on doorstep are easily taken
- don't display gifts where visible from a window or doorway
- don't advertise new electronics--break down and fold discarded boxes to conceal contents

**Vacation Watch:** MCPD 281-403-8700 and BCW 281-499-0695.



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- Specially trained emergency room staff
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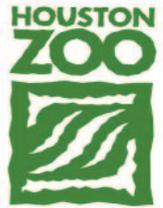
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