

Lakes of Brightwater



COMING EVENTS

HOA MONTHLY MEETINGS

Clubhouse, 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 18

Tuesday, May 16

ANNUAL MEETING

Southminster Presbyterian
Church, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 22

Tuesday, July 18

Tuesday, August 15

BRIGHTWATER GARDEN

CLUB

Clubhouse, 6:40 p.m.

Monday, April 24

EVENING

NEEDLEWORKERS

Members' homes, 7:00 p.m.

Monday, May 1

Monday, June 5

EASTER EGG HUNT

Westshore Park, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 9

SPLASH DAY

Pool, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 6

NEIGHBORHOOD COFFEE

Clubhouse, 10:00 a.m.

Monday, May 8

MIDDLE SCHOOL

POOL PARTY

Pool, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Monday, June 5

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Brightwater's Recreation Area

Feeling the stress of fighting Houston traffic getting to work and back? Fed up with the news on T.V.? Need to get away? Look no farther! The Lakes of Brightwater has the answer for you, and it doesn't require a long drive to get there.

Your Homeowners Association and dedicated Brightwater resident volunteers have been hard at work making things happen to enhance your quality of life in your own backyard. It's impossible to visit our neighborhood without noticing the beautiful walkway around Frost Lake. If your career as a walker is just beginning, stop along the way, sit on a bench and watch the water. Feel the calmness. Relax.

If you are into sports, we have excellent tennis courts where you can work up a good sweat, day or night. See the Beacon insert for tennis court rules.

The pool is one of the best in any subdivision around here. Check out the insert for new pool summer hours. It is available for private pool parties; kids love it. You might even spot a lap swimmer or two there.

If your kids have more energy than they know what to do with, take them to the recently upgraded playground. It's a great place for them to unwind and for you to meet other parents and grandparents.



Headed home after a play date at Brightwater's playground

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Boy Scout Flag Service

Show your patriotism by subscribing to the flag service offered to Brightwater residents by Boy Scout Troop #294. For 15 years, they have placed flags in front of our homes and along Brightwater Dr. on patriotic holidays. For a small fee, they will place a flag in front of your home on Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day and Labor Day. Residents will have an opportunity to subscribe for the flag service during pool tag registrations. For additional information, contact Scout Leader Tim Gooch at 801-971-6217 or gooch.tim@gmail.com.

Needleworkers

The Brightwater Needleworkers Group will have its final meeting before summer break at the beginning of June. In the 16th year of getting together, their handiwork includes knitting, crocheting, cross stitching, mending or anything that needs hand sewing. Call Elaine at 281-499-6660 for more information.

The "Beacon"

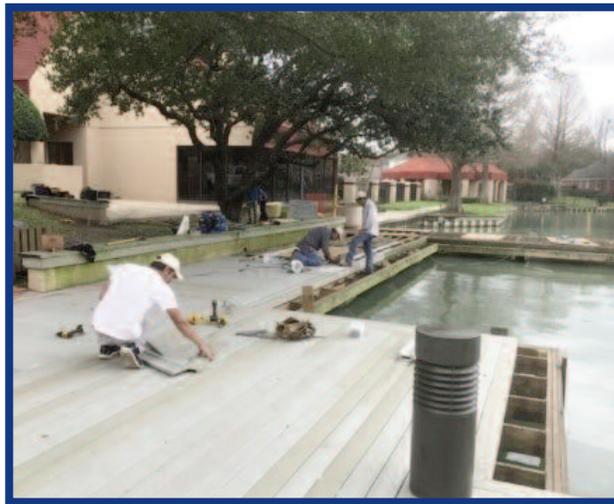
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HOA Board of Directors Report

Thank you, one and all, for working together after a tornado hit the northern end of Brightwater on February 14. We greatly appreciate the city's response and wish to give a special thanks to the adult volunteers from the LDS Church who labored to clean up the trash that was in the streets.



Phase 1 of our Refresh Project is almost complete. The walls, new signs and lighting are up and look great. We have chosen to delay some of the landscaping due to the weather. We are also waiting on availability of the plants we have chosen. Phase 2, retiling and painting the columns, is scheduled to begin soon. Phase 3 will focus on details in the recreation area and will conclude the project.

The new deck and pier at the clubhouse have been completed.

If you did repairs or replacements to your property due to storm damage, remember to file the paperwork with the Architectural Control Committee. The guidelines and forms are online at www.lakesofbrightwater.com.

For answers to questions or concerns about the Lakes of Brightwater, please contact a board member or Crest Management.

Brightwater Garden Club

Join us for the final Brightwater Garden Club meeting of the year on Monday, April 24, at 6:40 p.m. in the Brightwater Clubhouse. Melinda Sperl, owner of Dream Landscape Company, will do a presentation on "Getting your Garden Ready for Summer" with tips on how to make your garden look great throughout the summer's heat. Melinda will also have a Q & A time when you can get her expert advice on your gardening challenges. Brightwater Garden Club is open to all.



Members will enjoy an exclusive end-of-year Garden Sampling Tour featuring several members' gardens in Brightwater followed by dinner at the clubhouse on Monday, May 1. To learn about the benefits of membership and how you can become a member, visit www.brightwatergardenclub.com or contact President Joanne Downing, at 281-499-9942. The new garden club year will begin on Monday September 25, 2017.

Unwelcome Visitor

Valentine's Day in Brightwater this year was a lot more than just hearts and flowers. Shortly after 8:00 a.m. a tornado blew into the northern part of our community. Out of the nearly 800 homes that make up the Lakes of Brightwater, 40 received damage. If you have never seen a trampoline on someone's roof or a ladder hanging from a tree limb, you could have seen both that morning. KPRC, Channel 2 Television, had a crew in our subdivision most of the day, and one of our residents was interviewed for the local news. Thanks to Allen Grant for his photographs, we bring you the following...



A dislocated chimney on the roof of a house



Uprooted cable box



The winds destroyed many fences, including new ones



Tornadoes show no respect for trash and pick-up days



Roofing contractors have been plentiful in our neighborhood



A KPRC drone taking off for aerial shots of the damage

If your trash can or recycle bin was destroyed in the storm, call the Municipal Solid Waste Program at 281-403-5800 to inquire about a replacement.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Who: Kids 12 years and under
Special toddler section
When: Sunday, April 9, 4:00 p.m.
Where: Westshore Park



ANNUAL MEETING

It's time to be an involved citizen in your community and to learn a lot you didn't know about Brightwater. Brightwater's Homeowners Association Annual Meeting is the place to be on Thursday evening, June 22. Elections will be held for the Board of Directors. Show that you care, and make your voice heard. See you at the Southminster Presbyterian Church at 7:00 p.m.

Brightwater Crime Watch Training



Are you interested in making Brightwater a safer community?

Lt. Kevin Burleson, Missouri City Police Department Liaison to Brightwater, will conduct a short 45-minute training session in May to certify residents for the Brightwater Crime Watch Program. Date and time to be determined.

Patrol teams provide another set of eyes and ears for the MCPD officers.

Please consider giving just two hours a month to get the word out that crime is not welcome in Brightwater.

For more information, contact Diane Giltner at 281-499-0695.

Pool Tag Registration and Tennis Court Use



This year, pool tag registration days are on the following Saturdays: April 15, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.; April 22, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.; May 6, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. See the insert in this newsletter for more information about pool tag registration.

Diane Giltner, pictured at left, is the volunteer lead for the pool tag registration days.



Please review the tennis court rules in the enclosed insert. Court keys will be available at the pool tag registrations for \$25.

Brightwater is fortunate to have a tennis instructor, Femi Thomas. In the picture on the left, he is guiding a Brightwater third-grader who is practicing his tennis swing.

WARNING: MAILBOX BANKS

Our mailbox banks are federal property, and it is illegal to post personal ads or announcements on them. Be safe, not sorry!



RESIDENTS: Pets must be on leash & you must clean up after your pet!
Maximum fine: \$500



Missouri City Ordinance, Chap. 10, Sections 10-4 and 10-68, Code 1981

Missouri City Police Department and...

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

- 1 Burglary of habitation
- 2 Burglaries of vehicles
- 1 Credit or debit card abuse
- 1 Forgery
- 1 Theft of property from motor vehicle

Lieutenant Burleson: “The majority of our recent car burglaries are due to vehicles left unlocked. The suspects walk around our neighborhoods and pull door handles looking for unlocked cars. When they find an open car, they rummage through it for items to take.”

If you have a Brightwater-related problem, before publicizing it on social media, see if one of the individuals or services on the following page can help you.

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Liz Trapolino with Crest Management is the Account Manager for the Brightwater Homeowners Association. If you have any correspondence, issues or questions, please direct those to her attention at:

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Brightwater Crime Watch Report

11-29-17 Sea Breeze Ct, Shoreline Dr. and Waterlily Ct: Residents reported items taken or thrown about in unlocked vehicles

2-10-17 Lakewood Ct: Resident reported vehicle rummaged through after garage door left open overnight

2-14-17 Tornado resulted in exposed backyards due to downed fences. Extra police patrols assigned to neighborhood

2-24-17 Brightwater Dr: Resident sighted alligator in backyard. MCPD, Animal Control and Game Warden informed but unable to respond

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

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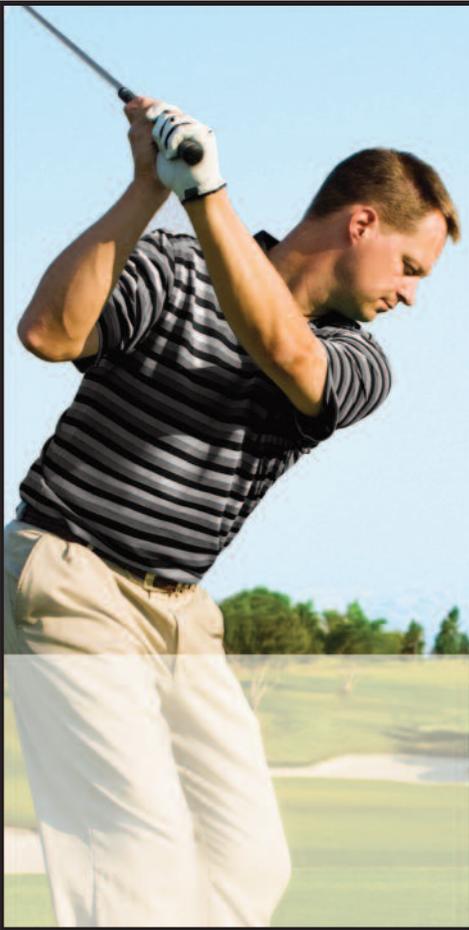
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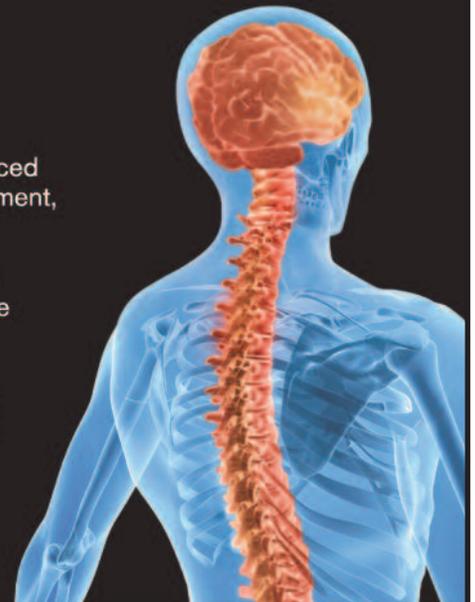
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