

# Lakes Of Brightwater



## COMING EVENTS

### HOA MONTHLY MEETINGS

Clubhouse, 6:00 PM

**Tuesday, August 16**

**Tuesday, September 20**

**Tuesday, November 15**

*NOTE: October meeting is a budget workshop held at Crest.*

### NEIGHBORHOOD COFFEE

Clubhouse, 10:00-11:30 AM

**Monday, September 12**

### BRIGHTWATER GARDEN

#### CLUB

Clubhouse, 6:30 PM

**Monday, September 26**

**Monday, October 24**

**Monday, November 28**

### EVENING

#### NEEDLEWORKERS

Members' homes, 7:00 PM

**Monday, September 5**

**Monday, October 3**

**Monday, November 7**

**Monday, December 5**

### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IN

#### TEXAS

**Tuesday, October 4**

### HALLOWEEN PARADE &

#### FUN RUN

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## Board Of Directors Report

July 4th was a great morning at the Pool and Clubhouse area thanks to our wonderful residents who participated in our 2nd annual July 4th Parade and festivities! There were entries of all ages in the parade, many parade watchers, and a huge turnout at the park to recite the Pledge of Allegiance led by Cub Scout Troop 820 with a rendition of the National Anthem led by a resident Girl Scout. We appreciate those who volunteered as well as attended!

Our playground is complete at our new Westshore Park, including a fence to separate the play area from the street. Additional lighting has been installed and we've addressed irrigation issues around the sidewalk area. The Clubhouse parking lot was power washed and re-stripped and residents can enjoy the new Carvestone installed around the Clubhouse and pool area. We are working with Eddie's Tree Service to trim, remove, and evaluate many of our trees for viability in the neighborhood.

At the June 28 Annual Meeting, we had representatives from WCA and the City available to answer questions concerning the NEW service that will go into effect August 1st. Please refer to the insert that is part of this newsletter and check out the Missouri City links provided. On the City website, click "Solid Waste" (truck icon) under QuickLinks for detailed information and the FAQs on the City's service. Instructional fliers will also be attached to your 95-gallon trash and 65-gallon recycle containers when they arrive the last week of July. Please note, it will be imperative that residents leave room on the street for the containers to be placed 4 feet apart so the automated trucks can pick up and empty the containers.

-- Rita McMahon, Board President

## Mark Your Calendar: National Night Out

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie.

Mark your calendar for **Tuesday, October 4** and encourage neighbors to co-host a block party to become better acquainted. This is an opportunity to meet our local Police, Fire and City personnel whose goal is to make our neighborhood and community a safer place to live. Contact Diane Giltner at 281-499-0695 or [dgiltner5@comcast.net](mailto:dgiltner5@comcast.net) for more information and to register your block party with Missouri City Police.



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# New Garbage Service to Begin August 1



The first day of school is Monday, August 22. To download

a full school calendar, go to [www.fortbendisd.com](http://www.fortbendisd.com) and click on "Calendar" in the top menu. Please watch your speed in school zones this fall.

## 2016 Directory Update

This year's Residential Directory is progressing with final printing expected next month. Once published, the Directory will be distributed to Brightwater residents who completed and submitted forms for this issue. If you would like to assist in delivering 2016 Directories, please contact: Nancy Hudson at: 281-403-9269 or [nancyhudson007@comcast.net](mailto:nancyhudson007@comcast.net) or Diane Mauricio at 281-208-1501 or [d6mauricio@gmail.com](mailto:d6mauricio@gmail.com).

## Fort Bend Summer Facilities:

Did you know that Fort Bend ISD playgrounds, open fields, walking tracks/trails and courts at our elementary schools are open for community use this summer? If you take advantage of this, please remember to place trash in appropriate receptacles, be considerate of other patrons and avoid any activity that could damage or alter school property. If the District determines that it needs to close access to any elementary areas, signs will be posted at specific locations.



As noted in the Board report, beginning on Monday, August 1, Brightwater residents will transition to a different waste collection service -- from the old contract between WCA and MUD #42 to a new WCA contract approved by Missouri City. The new service is outlined in the enclosed flyer and we encourage everyone to read through the details and keep it handy in the coming weeks and months for reference. If residents have concerns about their pickup, they can contact WCA at 281-403-5800. More information is available at [wca.waste.com/missouri-city](http://wca.waste.com/missouri-city), as well as the City website, [www.missouricitytx.gov](http://www.missouricitytx.gov).

## Brightwater Garden Club

The Brightwater Garden Club mission is to serve our residents and the surrounding area, providing a place where anyone interested in gardening-- novice or experienced -- is welcome to learn more about gardening in the Gulf Coast area. We feature Master Gardeners and other gardening experts to talk on topics of interest to local gardeners.

We meet September through April at the Brightwater Clubhouse on the 4th Monday of the month. Refreshments and social time begins at 6:30 p.m. and the featured program starts at 6:50 pm. Next meetings are September 26, October 24, and November 28.

This year topics will include butterfly gardening, container gardening and tree pruning to name a few. If you are interested in the Brightwater Garden Club or want more information, visit our website for details, [www.brightwatergardenclub.com](http://www.brightwatergardenclub.com), or contact:

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Diane Giltner, Membership Chair 281-499-0695 or [dgiltner5@comcast.net](mailto:dgiltner5@comcast.net)

## RIPPLES

### It's Hurricane Season ... Be Prepared!

- Writing down your plan will ensure you don't make mistakes when faced with an emergency.
- Document all of your valuables and possessions with a camera or video camera well before the storm.
- Gather all vital documents, like passports and medical records, and put them somewhere you can quickly access.
- Make planning and preparedness a family affair to ensure everyone knows what to do.
- It does NOT matter how many hurricanes are forecast for this year. It only takes one storm.



**Flag Service:** For information about Flag Service, please contact Tim Gooch at 801-971-6217, or preferably by email at [sugarlandscoutsflags@gmail.com](mailto:sugarlandscoutsflags@gmail.com).

**Grounds Issues:** If you notice any HOA irrigation problems (e.g. broken sprinkler heads or pipes, sprinklers running too long) or see tree damage along the common grounds, please contact Grounds Chair Betty Grant at 281-261-5913.

We're beginning our 16th year and we'd love to have you join us! Come and meet some terrific members who share your enthusiasm for needlework. Our handiwork includes knitting, crocheting, cross stitching, mending or any other project that requires hand sewing. We meet in members' homes the first Monday of the month from 7:00 to 8:45 pm. Fall meetings are September 5, October 3, November 7, and December 5. For more information, call Elaine at 281-499-6660.

## July 4th Parade

Brightwater showed its patriotic colors as families paraded along our flag-lined lake during the Second Annual July 4th Parade. Patriotism was in abundance as strollers, wagons and bikes festooned with stars and stripes gathered at Westshore Park for the Pledge of Allegiance led by the Boy Scouts and the National Anthem sung by a young Girl Scout.



Thank you to the volunteers who made this family-friendly event possible: Lead-Krista Patlovich, Allen Grant, Christy Hsieh, Linda Higgins, Taylor Joseph, Teresa Joseph, Judy Kay, Kent Knowles, Lori Knowles and Joanna Ouder Kirk.

A warm thank you for the refreshingly cool treats goes to Angelia McDaniel, resident and Keller Williams realtor, who generously provided the Southern Ice Cream cart.



## Alligator in Brightwater

The recent river flooding caused many alligators to relocate and a 5-6 foot alligator was sighted in our lakes last month. They usually do not climb out of the lakes over bulkheads, and the majority of open shoreline in our Northshore Park is fenced. Although we've had alligators in our lakes before without incident, we are monitoring the situation. Under normal conditions, the gators help control our snake and duck population. **As always, no swimming is allowed in our lakes.**

Here are some facts about these reptiles: Most alligators moving around are smaller ones pushed out of their normal habitat by larger alligators. These alligators often move on in a week or two. Alligators have a natural fear of humans, and usually retreat when approached by people. If you encounter one, however, back away slowly. Although it is rare for an alligator to chase people, they can be extremely quick and agile to defend themselves when cornered. If you are near the water and an alligator comes straight toward you, it is definitely a nuisance alligator that needs to be reported to TPWD. If you see an alligator while walking your pet, make sure your pet is on a leash and under your control. Since October 1, 2003, it has been a Class C misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$500 for anyone caught feeding an alligator.

For more information, visit the Texas Parks & Wildlife Dept. website:  
<http://tpwd.texas.gov/huntwild/wild/species/alligator/safety/index.phtml>

## Public Parking

With the start of the WCA's automated trash collection on August 1, residents need to allow four (4) feet on either side of their new cans for proper pickup. For rules re public parking on Brightwater's streets, check out "General Interest" on the HOA website, [www.lakesofbrightwater.com](http://www.lakesofbrightwater.com).

## Tips To Prevent Heat Stress



- Stay cool indoors
- Drink more water than usual
- Avoid alcohol or liquids containing high amounts of sugar
- Replace salt and minerals
- Wear lightweight, light-colored clothing
- Schedule outdoor activities carefully
- Pace yourself
- Monitor people at high risk
- Do not leave children or pets in cars

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4206 Harborview Ct.  
June, 2016 Yard of the Month



1926 Lakefront Drive  
July, 2016 Yard of the Month

## Missouri City Police Department and...

### MCPD Crime Stats April - June 2016

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

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 Accident                    | 1 Fraud                               |
| 2 Assaults                    | 3 Forgeries                           |
| 3 Burglaries                  | 2 Thefts                              |
| 2 Burglaries of Motor Vehicle | 1 Traffic Violation                   |
| 2 Disturbances                | 1 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle |
| 1 Drug Abuse Violation        |                                       |

# CREST MANAGEMENT

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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<b>Gas Services</b>	<b>713-659-2111</b>
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## Brightwater Crime Watch Report

### **BCW:**

Summer vacations are in full swing so it's important that your home doesn't look vacant. Use timers for lights and radios and have a friend or neighbor pick up the mail, papers and packages. Also keep your yard and landscape maintained.

Never advertise that you're leaving town. Social media is a great way to share adventures with friends, but wait until after the trip to post your vacation memories. Be sure to remind your older children to do the same.

Take advantage of both our City and Brightwater Crime Watch vacation programs. Call the Missouri City Police Department at 281-403-8700 and BCW at 281-499-0695 so they can pay special attention to your home while you're away.



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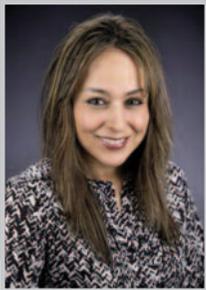
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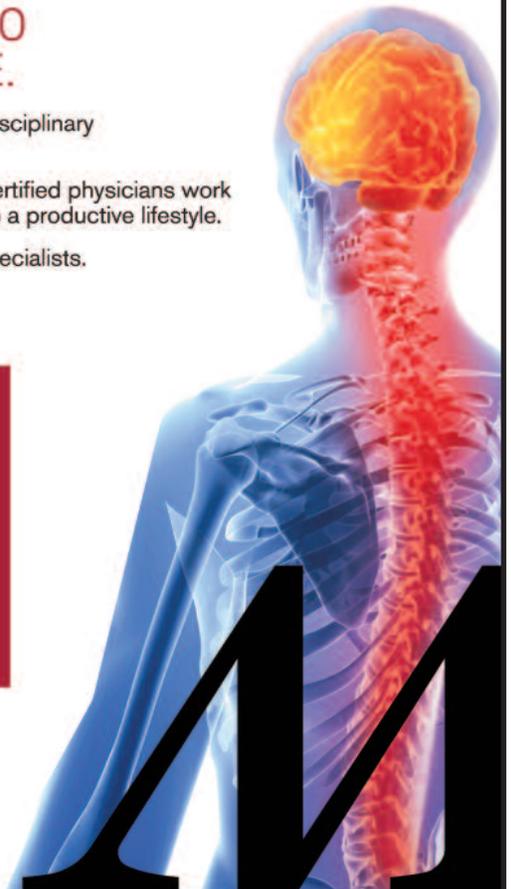
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